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Major's beef policy could backfire

MP threatens to undermine Tory majority

JOHN MAJOR'S confrontation with Europe started to backfire on him last night when a former minister threatened to resign the party whip over the Prime Minis-"silly and cynical" behaviour.

The Government's Commons majority would be wiped out if George Walden carried out his threat, and his remarks reinforced the Conservatives' determination to be ready for an autumn election.

Conservative Central Office is to hold an election "rehearsal" on Saturday and all party workers have been told not to book holidays for October, November or December in case the Ulster Unionists withdraw their support from the Government

Mr Walden claimed to be speaking for a number of MPs irritated by the Prime Minister's approach to Europe and his threat vesterday coincided with another attack from Jacques Santer, the European Commission President, who accused the Government of mismanaging the beef crisis.

Mr Walden, who intends to stand down as MP for Buckingham at the next election. said that only embarrassment might prevent him walking away from the party and he insisted that a number of his colleagues shared his views. Mr Major should not have picked a fight with Europe, he added: "If this goes on, some people could ask themselves what they are doing in this

"I cannot really, personally, be associated with a pettyminded nationalist party if that is what the Conservative Party is going to turn itself into. It will be seen as weakness abroad. The worst thing

the government has done is to

make fools of Britain." Mr Walden, a former education minister, said that he would have to think hard about whether to "detach myself" from the party. He said: The Prime Minister is not the Duke of York who led his men up the hill, he has been pushed up the hill by the Eurosceptics. He is now in a very

exposed position."

Mr Walden's remarks to GMTV's Sunday programme came as the former Cabinet minister David Hunt started to form a new group to lead an offensive against Eurosceptics who are using the beef controversy as a vehicle to attack the European Union. Mr Hunt said that Conservative Mainstrean would be "a home for one-nation Tories and their ideas. A small numr of Torv MPs want to withdraw from Europe. We have to make clear they are in

a minority." The new group is planning a conference shortly before the Tories' annual gathering in Bournemouth in October to work on ideas for the party manifesto. But Tory rightingers have dubbed the plan the "alternative manifesto" and laughed at the suggestion that it could attract support of

200 of the 327 Tory MPs. The group's fears about the beef "war" were underlined yesterday when Mr Santer said the tactics would be self-

defeating. The Commission President insisted that he would not give in to demands for a timetabled programme to lift the ban on British beef and said: I am very concerned about the, perhaps, anti-European atmosphere and climate in the UK. I am also concerned about an anti-British atmosphere between the 14 other member states. I don't think it is very good for the UK to be isolated in a matter related to public health."

The announcement to Parliament without prior warning to the EU had undermined public confidence, he said. Through this mismanagement ... there was this triggering of the crisis and this

The latest controversy over Europe and the resultant Tory infighting has meanwhile added fresh urgency to Con-servative Central Office preparations for the next election. The ban on holidays ordered by Brian Mawhinney, the chairman, confirmed weeks of speculation that the Prime Minister is prepared to go to the country in autumn even though he would prefer to wait until May.

Dr Mawhinney is also regularly consulting Lord Parkin-son and Lord Tebbit, the architects of Margaret Thatcher's election victories, and the two heavyweights are ready to return to the campaign trail. They may be used for media performances to try to knock the gloss off Tony Blair.

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Arnaud Wambo plays with his friends in Douala as he completes his recovery after his heart operation in England

Princess? I don't know who she is, says heart boy

BY SAM KILEY IN DOUALA AND EMMA WILKINS

A BOY whose life-saving heart operation was observed by the Princess of Wales was recovering well at his home in Cameroon yesterday, un-aware of the identity of his

royal visitor. Arnaud Wambo, seven, who wants to be a doctor when he grows up, broke off from a game of football outside his father's shack in a shanty town outside Douala, the capital, to say he was grateful to the British charity which arranged the operation.

Did he know that the wife of the heir to the throne had witnessed his operation along with a television camera crew? 'Yes, no, I don't know who she is," he mumbled. "But I thank the people of the country who saved me."

As a tropical downpour rattled on the roof of his father's stall — washing mango peel and goat droppings from the street into open gutters - Arnaud pulled on a T-shirt and hopped across the

open sewer to play in the rain. His father, Pierre Tagne, 37, said: "Before the operation, he could never have done that. He was always tired, always sick. He has never been able to participate fully. When his medication is finished in ten days' time he will be able to

run with the rest." The shy child clung to his father's leg, almost speechless, the 8in scar from his openheart surgery peeping over the top of his shirt. The operation, arranged by the British charity Chain of Hope, cost only £3,250 because the services of Professor Sir Madgi Yacoub, the surgeon, and his staff were

given free of charge. Sir Magdi said he was pleased by the child's recoverv. "He was a wonderful kid. His was a real human story Continued on page 2, col 3

Netanyahu's poll blunder

Israel's lacklustre election campaign burst into life when Binyamin Netanyahu, the rightwing Likud challenger. conceded that he had been wrong to go on television in 1993 to admit adultery and allege attempted political blackmail. The revival of the scandal may lose him vital votes in a contest that has him neck-and-neck with Shimon

Burma challenge

A huge crowd gathered outside the Rangoon home of Aung San Suu Kyi, the Burmese opposition leader, after she vowed to keep up pressure on the military regime in the most direct challenge since her release from six years of last arrest _Page 7



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Doctors call for names of | New curb on 'Day 'infected' baby milk brands of the Jackal' cheats

By Nigel Hawkes, science editor

DOCTORS and parents rounded on the Ministry of Agriculture yesterday for refusing to name brands of baby milk containing potentially dangerous levels of "genderbending" chemicals.

Ministry scientists have tested 15 leading brands and found that all contain phthalates, commonly used in plastics. While they are not poisonous, they are among a group of chemicals believed to mimic natural hormones such as oestrogen. The levels found in some samples may be high enough to reduce fertility in babies exposed to them.

The ministry yesterday refused to reveal details of the tests or the names of the brands involved, saying they posed no threat.

The decision was attacked by Dr John Chisholm, deputy chairman of the British Medical Association GPs' committee. "Mothers will find this very frightening," he said. They have a right to know the facts, so that they can choose milk that is safe." Nigel Griffiths, Labour's consumer affairs spokesman.

spoke of a "culture of cover-

up" as he accused the Govern-

with manufacturers to try to keep the problem out of the spotlight. I want to see the scientific evidence today and I want to see the minutes of the secret meetings" he said.

The ministry said there was no need to name the brands. These levels pose no danger to babies' health," a spokesman said. "If there was any danger, ministers would act immediately. We and the manufacturers want to see these levels come down. We have had talks to determine the source of the chemicals, and they have launched their ment of holding secret talks own investigation."

By Richard Ford, home correspondent

MICHAEL HOWARD is planning to restrict the issue of copies of birth certificates in an attempt to prevent criminals creating false identities. People seeking copies could be required to produce proof

of identity and to explain why they want the document, and registrars may be given the power to refuse their requests.

The new rules, which could be put forward in a Bill next year, are being considered because certificates relating both to living and dead people are increasingly being used to obtain passports fraudulently as in Frederick Forsyth's Day of the Jackal.

A leaked Whitehall Home Office memo shows that 739 such frauds were uncovered by the UK Passport Agency last year compared with 583 in 1994. The memo also discloses that the Immigration Service estimates that there wee between 350 and 400 people seeking leave to enter or remain in the UK involving used copies of birth certificates that did not belong to them.

It says: "The issue of certi-fied copies of birth certificates is a growing area of abuse . . . The Home Secretary's view is that unless this problem is tackled firmly and quickly the Continued on page 2, col 6

Free jail birds plea by campaigner behind bars



The population's doubled under Michael Howard"

A JAILED animal rights activist has launched a campaign on behalf of thousands of innocent prisoners condemned to a life behind bars without trial or hope of appeal.

Niel Hansen, who is serving three years for a bomb hoax on a drugs company press officer, has petitioned the Home Office to ban prison inmates from keeping caged birds.

While at The Mount Prison in Bovingdon, Hertfordshire, Hansen claims to have witnessed appalling cruelty to cockatiels and budgerigars inflicted by fellow inmates. So far, he has managed to rescue six feathered fellow prisoners and arranged for them to be

Recognising the therapeutic value of pets, the Home Office Prisons Depart-not knowing anything about birds. this ment allows some prisoners, particularly those facing long sentences, the privilege of a caged bird. The Home Office estimates that there are "hundreds" of

birds kept by prisoners. Hansen, 29, insists that not every inmate nurtures and cares for his companion like Robert Stroud, the Birdman of Alcatraz, a double killer who was iailed for life by a California court in 1909. Stroud was allowed to transform his cell into a bird sanctuary, but Hansen said some birds in British cells were badly abused. "One inmate, fed up with the noise made by his bird, stabbed it with a ball point pen and another was thrown

against a wall," he said. 'A common training method is to trim a not knowing anything about birds, this trimming often causes a great deal of pain and distress, even permanent injury."

Abuse was not necessarily intentional, but frequently the result of bored prisoners buying a bird on the spur of the moment, often knowing nothing about how to keep them. The more colourful breeds were bought and sold in exchange for drugs or to pay off debts and so were frequently passed from one inmate to another, he claimed.

Hansen is also worried by the health hazards faced by birds behind bars. "Smoke-filled cells are not the place to keep them." he said.

A Home Office spokesman said: "If prisoners don't treat birds properly the birds are removed."

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Highway Code to give

road rage guidance

The Highway Code is to include a section on coping with

road rage in response to mounting public concern about the

number of violent attacks on drivers. The next edition of the Code, to be published in July, will include advice to drivers

on how to avoid confrontations with other road users that could escalate into physical attacks or even murder.

The advice, which is still being drafted by the Government's driving standards agency, has been drawn up of the Police Officers. It will be heated up by a particular of the Police Officers it will be heated up by a particular of the Police Officers.

Chief Police Officers. It will be backed up by a national publicity campaign including posters and television commercials on the dangers of road rage. The new theory section of the driving test, which is being introduced on July I, will also include questions covering potential road rage

A man was shot dead in front of his girlfriend as he stood at the bar of a crowded restaurant in Belfast. Dessie McCleary,

37, was shot in the head at close range in the Chicago Pizza

Pie Factory restaurant. The leadership of the Irish National

Liberation Army said yesterday that it carried out the

murder, which follows a feud between factions of the group.

McCleary was wanted by police in the Irish Republic after

he skipped bail in January. He was being questioned in connection with a major arms find.

A murder inquiry was launched yesterday after a 50-year-old

man was stabbed to death while on holiday in Norfolk.

Terrence Mann, or Borehamwood, Hertfordshire, was

attacked on Saturday night as he was leaving the car park of

the California Tavern pub in California, near Great

Yarmouth. Mr Mann, who owned a holiday chalet in the

area, died in hospital from his wounds, which included a

Some of the country's 12 open jails could be turned into partly closed rehabilitation units under a Prison Service

review, which could also mean the closure of some of the

jails. The study comes as many of the prisons are working

well below their capacity. One estimate yesterday suggested

that up to 800 places are empty. Some could be turned into

units preparing prisoners serving long sentences for the

Open prisons review

severed artery in his leg.

the Rev Jonathan Charles,

Holidaymaker killed

Man shot dead at bar

Tories are urged to publish donations above £25,000

to win a multimedia

PC, in Interface

By Andrew Pierce, political correspondent

A FORMER Tory treasurer urged the party to publish a list of donations over £25,000 last night in an attempt to lift an atmosphere of sleaze from the party's source of funding.

Lord Laing of Dunphail, the treasurer when John Major set out a strategy to distance himself from tainted donation scandals, said that the controversy over funds was damaging the party. "I do not believe in state funding, but I think that there should be more openness. I don't believe that anyone who gives £10,000 to their local party should have to disclose it. because it is not such a high figure these days, but an arbitary figure should be set at £25,000 at which point the money came from. It would

end suggestions of sleaze." The intervention by Lord Laing, the treasurer between 1988 and 1993, comes at a sensitive moment for the partv. Brian Mawhinney, the chairman, is investigating donations from a Serb businessman who is linked to a company that has been the subject of United Nations sanctions. The donations. which were reported to have been in the £100,000 region. were thought last night to be closer to £40,000.

Labour seized on reports that Downing Street was warned by MI6 in 1992 that the Tory party had received donations from a company linked to Serbia. Robin Cook, the Shadow Foreign Secretary, has written to the Prime Minister to ask if the reports are true. "If John Major refuses to answer, it will be because of the embarrassment

to the Tory party.
"No wonder MI6 was wor-ried. Ordinary people, too, will be worried that the party in government was taking money from sources linked to of Britain was banned from trading with Serbia."

Eric Chalker, a member of the party's board of finance for four years until 1993, added to the pressure at the weekend when he urged that the money should be given back. Lord Laing, who declined to be drawn on the latest controversy, said: "It is the secrecy which is causing the damage. I collected a lot of money for the party and nobody wanted anything from me in return. They believed in the party."

But party funding was identified as a potential political problem by the Prime Minister soon after he took office. Mr Major, aware of the possible conflicts, wrote to Lord Laing in June 1992 only three months after his election victory, which was funded in part by foreign businessmen. The Prime Minister, in his letter, said that the party chairman should take responsibility for the treasurers' department. "It will help to answer some of the demands we face for greater accountability ... and it will leave the Prime Minister in a less exposed position."

that he did not recall discussing the letter with the Prime Minister. "It was his view and that was a matter for him. I had no strong feelings either way." But the peer, who was chairman of United Biscuits, a substantial donor to Tory funds, defended the right of the party to accept cash from abroad. He said: "We are only too happy to welcome investment from businessmen in the Far East. Investment of up to 50 per cent in our industry is coming from overseas. Some people might conclude that it is right for them therefore to be able to play a part in the political system by donating to

a political party. Last week Lord McAlpine of West Green, another former treasurer, urged John Major to return donations from Asil

Computer enlisted in war of the soundbite

By ANDREW PIERCE

A £500,000 computer system is to be installed at Conservative Central Office as a weapon in its election armoury. Contracts were signed last week for Excalibur, which will store information enabling staff to react quickly to claims and accusations from

The purchase is a further sign that the party has solved its financial problems. Relentless cost-cutting since 1992 has helped to reduce the deficit from £18 million to £2.5 million. Spending is now on the increase and staff are being hired on the strength of millions of pounds of pledged donations from wealthy indi-viduals and small businesses.

Labour has a similar computer system at its Millbank media centre, but the Tory operation is said to be more sophisticated, with a much politicians' recent speeches, gaffes, policy statements, canvas returns and the political views of millions of ordinary

Within weeks, it will be installed in Conservative Central Office, which has gone on an election war footing. The election operation led by the party chairman, Brian Mawhinney, is being bol-stered by the Thatcherite heavyweights Lord Tebbit and Lord Parkinson, who are consulted on a range of issues and may be used in television and radio interviews.

Next weekend, an election "dress rehearsal" will involve officials acting out a typical day in the campaign. Mock briefings and press confer-ences will be held in the first in a series of exercises at Smith Square.



Braving the elements at Bournemouth yesterday

Weather dampens holiday weekend

BAD weather cast gloom over the Bank Holiday weekend and sporting events. Rain halted the third one-day match between England and India in Manchester and was expected to dampen the Volvo PGA Championship at Went-

worth today. South Coast beaches were deserted because of the downpours. The only consolation was free-flowing roads. An AA

sun we are not anticipating congestion on coast roads, though there may be some on routes to indoor entertainments or shopping centres."

A woman aged 21 was killed when the car she was in left a rainsoaked road and hit a tree last night in Marlow, Buckinghamshire.

Cheats

A fraudster wanting a copy of a dead person's birth certificate needs only to look

even quicker response. Last year Jeff Rooker MP described how racketeers used a copy of their dead baby daughter's birth certificate to create a false identity for an illegal Nigerian immigrant, The couple lost their baby 25 years ago, but the certificate was used to obtain a National Insurance number in 1988 and

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through the registers at St Catherine's House in London and find the name of someone roughly their age. A duplicate costs £6 and can be obtained within four working days; a £20 priority service offers an

Lady Douglas Home Lady Margaret Douglas Home. whose late son Charles was editor of *The* Times between 1982 and 1985, has died after a short illness, her family said last night. She was 89. Lady Margaret, great aunt of the Princess of Wales, died in Wells-next-the-Sea Cottage Hospital, Norfolk, with grandchildren around her.

rector of the nearby Burnhams, said. Wembley murder charge

A man will appear in court today charged with the murder of a Plymouth Argyle fan at Wembley Stadium before the Third Division play-off game with Darlington on Saturday. Peter Johnson, 30, from Plymouth, will appear at Brent Magistrates' Court, west London, charged with the murder of Kelvin Noon, 24, from Salcombe, Devon. A post-mortem. examination found Mr Noon, who has a baby daughter, died from a ruptured artery at the base of the skull.

Liver boy takes overdose

A teenager suffering from chronic liver failure has died after swallowing a large number of paracetamol tablets only hours before learning that a transplant organ had become available for him. Craig Forward, 15, from Chester-le-Street, Co Durham, was taken to hospital the day after he took the tablets to be told that a suitable donor had been found but he did not live long enough for surgeons to operate. It is not known why he took the tablets.

Charity's sex appeal

A businessman who was made an MBE last year for services to charity is hosting a £75-a-head evening featuring topless table-dancers in a marquee at his home in Lapworth, Warwickshire, in aid of the Birmingham cancer charity CRAB. William Willson, 69, who chairs the appeal, said: "It's all highly respectable and will be done in a tasteful way. People don't really get offended by that sort of thing



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Labour row is defused with Wilson promotion

TRANSPORT CORRESPONDENT

TONY BLAIR has defused a dispute between Labour's transport frontbenchers by offering Brian Wilson, the railway spokesman, a senior role on the campaign team.

The move comes after Mr Wilson lost a battle with his boss, Clare Short, over renationalising Railtrack. Mr Wilson favoured a full-blooded commitment to restoring public ownership, while Ms Short backed a more cautious approach involving a gradual buy-back of Railtrack shares. One railway figure said that, earlier this year, "she spent 90 per cent of the time moaning about Brian Wilson*.

Mr Wilson will be put in charge of the party's comput-er system, which is used to rebut Tory attacks on Labour, and will be based mainly at its media centre at Millbank. Mr Wilson will initially retain a front-bench transport job as well, but with the privatisation of the railways almost complete he is expected to devote most of his time to campaign work.

Leadership sources yesterday described the move as a promotion for Mr Wilson,

Birmingham city council-lors have threatened to demonstrate outside Labour headquarters in London over allegations of vote-rigging in the

serious personality clash.

skills are admired by Mr

Blair. But the sources did not

deny that there had been a

local party unless Mr Blair calls talks to resolve the issue, according to a leaked letter from Theresa Stewart, the council leader. Four parties were suspended last year amid claims that membership lists were being packed with bogus names in battles for parliamentary candidacies.

'Princess Diana? I don't know who she is'

Continued from page I behind the surgical masks and

The Princess, who is preparing for a trip to Chicago next week where she will address a conference on breast cancer, is keeping in touch with Arnaud's progress. "The Prin-cess is delighted that Arnaud is making a good recovery," an official said yesterday. She is staying in close touch with Chain of Hope and hopes to work with them again."

Without the help of the charity, the boy may not have made it into his teens. The third of four sons, Arnaud is lucky that his father's stall, selling individual cigarettes. doughnuts and water in used

bottles, generates enough income for him to go to school. The hole in the boy's heart, diagnosed three years ago, left him gasping for breath and weak after the slightest exertion. Doctors gave him no more than a few years to live

in Douala's disease-riddled His operation can in large

part be put down to good luck. His father happened to bring the youngster into Douala's only paedeatric hospital where Chain of Hope volunteer members were working. The volunteers, doctors and nurses on the lookout for children who cannot be treated in their home country. choose candidates for surgery who otherwise could not afford advanced medical care. They arranged for him to be put on a flight to London last month and to be treated and housed by a "foster family" for two weeks. He was flown

home ten days ago. The costs were met by Chain of Hope, which is financed largely by private donations. Now that Arnaud is back home, the chain also meets the costs of his weekly visits to a local doctor and of his

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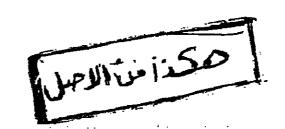
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Woman swims for four hours after boat capsizes

By Michael Horsnell

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AN EXHAUSTED woman swam for almost four hours without a lifejacket to raise the alarm when a fishing boat capsized. She was recovering in hospital last night as fears grew among her rescuers that four fellow crew members had

Pamela Crossan, 28, whose determination to survive astonished doctors, jumped overboard with her companions when the 32ft clam dredger Equinox turned turtle without warning 12 miles off the west coast of Scotland in the Firth of Clyde.

Her boyfriend, Paul Blaikie, and the skipper of the boat. Sean Ritchie, are said to have perished along with two other crew members who left Ayr on Saturday night. Mr Ritchie, who has two daughters, had bought the boat only six weeks before Saturday's accident, after selling his previous boat.

Miss Crossan lived with Mr Blaikie and her six-year-old daughter in Dunure, Strathclyde. One local said: "Pamela is a heroine. She swam for over a mile for that wee lassie of hers. The thought of her

daughter kept her going."

A neighbour and friend of Mr Blaikie's said: "We are all stunned. It's such a close-knit community, everyone is in shock." Paul's parents Bill, a retired railwayman, and Maud, were being comforted by their two other sons Michael and Billy, the harbour pilot at Ayr, at their home in Dunure. The family are shattered," said a friend. "Paul's father in particular is in a terrible state."

Police divers examined part of the hull section found by the



Police search for the Equinox, which sank in the Firth of Clyde. A navy minehunter found part of the hull

Royal Navy minehunter HMS Cattistock off the Heads of Ayr but the Ministry of Defence has rejected suggestions that a submarine might have been involved. A spokesman said none had been present in the area and that the 20 metres of water would have been too shallow for a submarine.

Miss Crossan reached the shore at about 2am yesterday, four hours after the boat capsized without time to send Mayday or fire distress rockets. She was dragged to safety by holidaymakers at **Butlins West World Holiday**

Centre, near Ayr, who had

heard her cries for help from shallow water. Alastair Dick, 26, a holidaymaker who raised the alarm, said: "I heard screams saying 'Help me, please help me." Miss Crossan was in 3ft of water and had to be dragged ashore because she was too exhausted

Mr Dick. from Rutherglen. Strathclyde, and another man removed some of their cloth-ing to keep her warm before she was taken to hospital. He said time was running out for her when she was found, "She could not move. If I had not heard her she would not have

Alastair Dick, who heard Miss Crossan's cries

made it. Another hour in the and strength to stay in the water and that would have been the end. We took off as much of our clothing as we could to wrap round her and we got blankets from cara-

vans. She was in total shock."

Miss Crossan was taken by a holiday centre van to a first aid facility on site before being taken to hospital suffering from severe hypothermia. She was interviewed by police and coastguards about the incident and visited by several members of her family.

Dr Leo Murray, accident and emergency consultant at Ayr Hospital, said Miss Crossan was likely to be detained for several days but had suffered no serious injury. He said: "Fortunately she is young, fit and healthy. She is exhausted and has probably swallowed a few mouthfuls of the Firth of Clyde."

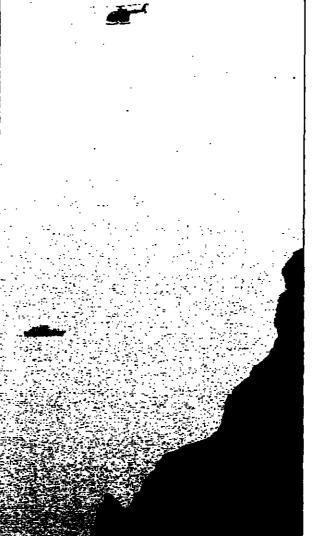
He said she had been covered with a reflective aluminium blanket to maintain her body temperature. The water here isn't Arctic, but it isn't warm. Not many of us would go for a swim in May. To survive that length of time in water is a triumph. It would require a lot of resolve

Miss Crossan received physiotherapy and was given antibiotics to clear a possible chest infection caused by inhaling sea water. Dr Murray said: "She is wrecked physically and upset emotionally. She has been asking, and we have been telling her, that we have had no news of the four

missing people."
RAF and police helicopters. two lifeboats and coastguard teams took part in the search but it was scaled down before nightfall. Police dogs searched the coastline in case anyone managed to get to shore. It is believed that searchers found yellow wellingtons, a red plastic can and fishing boxes in the area where the boat is believed to have sunk.

Chief Superintendent San-dra Hood said: "We will continue to search until we have a conclusion to this inquiry. With every hour that passes the greater our concern for them will be."

A local fisherman said: "It is possible one of their lines broke and they might have been thrown off or jumped off



A helicopter and lifeboat searching for survivors

Stronger sex built to survive

THE old cry of "Women and children first into the lifeboat" as a ship goes down is gallant, but as incorrect medically as it is politically (Dr Thomas Stuttaford writes). Children, being thin, do not survive well in cold water, but women have a thicker layer of subcutaneous fat than men and so have the best chance of living. Even so, surviving four hours in the Clyde at this time of the year was a remarkable

achievement. It is not as dangerous to ingest large quantities of sea water as it is to take in pints of fresh water, salt water upsets the chemical balance of the blood, but not as profoundly as does the drinking of any considerable amount of fresh water, which can upset the blood volume, and hence its chemical balance, much more dangerously.

The cold, as well as aspirated sea water, causes pulmonary oedema, the collection of fluid in the lung, and eventually also leads to heart irregularities and cardio-respiratory

Pamela Crossan owes her life to being a strong swim-mer whose muscles worked efficiently, despite the reduced oxygen supply which is associated with cold, to excellent lungs and heart, to the feminine subcutaneous fat layer, to the team who resuscitated her — and, above all, to a steely determination to live.

Friends fear worst for climber lost on Everest

By BILL FROST

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A BRITISH climber was missing on Everest yesterday after losing radio contact with his team-mates as they descended from the summit.

Louis Herrod, a photographer, was part of the first official South African team to conquer the mountain. He is the others" and reached the seven hours after lan Woodall, the team leader, and Cathy O'Dowd had begun

their descent The last radio contact with Mr Herrod, 37, was just before he began his descent at about 5pm local time (1100 GMT) on Saturday. He spoke to his girlfriend in London from the summit via satellite telephone and promised to proceed carefully.

He faced a night-time struggle alone down the 8.848 metre (29,028 ft) mountain in temperatures of minus 35C, a task experienced mountaineers desas "extremely

dangerous". Mr Herrod, originally from London, was officially listed as missing 24 hours after his summit telephone call, according to South African radio.

Ms O'Dowd, the first African woman to reach the SIMMINI spent Saturday night with their Sherpa guides at Everest's camp four, at 8,000 m (26,400 ft). She began descending to base camp early yester-

Mr Woodall was to remain at camp four with two oxygen bottles for an extra night in the hope that Mr Herrod would arrive. But he was persuaded to leave and began making his own way down alone in the

afternoon. Duncan Elliot, a friend and fellow mountaineer, said that Mr Herrod had left it very late to reach the summit. "You must get to the top by noon to

return to camp four in daylight," he explained.

Man heard cries for help near Putlins Holiday centre

When coming down from the summit, climbers are extremely tired and disoriented. They're not thinking straight, their sense of direction goes, some hallucinate. These are effects of being at high altitude

"It is very difficult to survive for 18 hours at that altitude The biggest concern is that Bruce hasn't made use of his radio, and I fear the worst."

News of Mr Herrod's disappearance dampened the excitement in South Africa over the historic ascent. Until democratic elections in 1994 ended white minority rule and brought Nelson Mandela to power, South Africans were refused permission by the Nepalese Government to scale Everest.

Earlier this month eight climbers died in a blizzard on the mountain.

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Blaze hits Clapton's £1m home

THE Chelsea home of the rock star Eric Clapton has been damaged by fire. The guitarist discovered the blaze after returning from a night out with The fire, on Saturday night,

is understood to have been caused by a faulty lighting circuit. Clapton, 51, was at the El million house yesterday. but did not say if any of his guitars or other personal property had been damaged. Station officer Michael Kelter, of the fire investigation unit based at Acton, west London, said: "We have identified the cause of the fire. It was an electrical fault.

"Mr Clapton is very well. He discovered the fire himself and called the fire brigade at 9.40pm last night. Damage was extensive on the second ■ floor. There is thousands of pounds of damage to the structure of the house, but I don't know about Mr Clapton's personal property."

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Sailor, 70, lost on global voyage

By A STAFF REPORTER

CONCERN is growing for a lone British yachtsman who has disappeared during a voyage around the world. Les Powles, 70, a former holder of the Yachtsman of the Year title, left New Zealand in December and was due to arrive in the Falkland Islands in March.

More than two months later friends at his home in Lymington, Hampshire, are still waiting to hear from him, although he had previously kept in constant touch about his movements.

The former radio engineer gave up his career to build his own 34ft yacht in the early 1970s. He set out on his first global trip in August 1975 in the Norwest yacht, named Solitaire of Hamble. The 30month voyage was followed by a second circumnavigation. which saw him run out of food and survive on cups of rice mixed with toothpaste. He completed the entire

journey without touching land, meaning he had sailed handed in both directions. Mr Powles set out on his third, more leisurely, voyage

in 1986 passing through Malta, Cyprus, and on through the Suez Canal to Australia and New Zealand. Peter Smales, a spokesman for the Lymington Yacht Haven marina, said: "With mod-

ern communications, it would

be surprising not to hear from

him if he was safe." Mr Powles has been divorced twice and has no children. Mr Smales said: "He loved the sea and never complained of loneliness - he thought people didn't underthe meaning of the word. A fellow Lymington yachtsman, Major Dennis Michell, said: "He was a very unassuming chap. I must admit I wouldn't put it past him to sail into Lymington

Student dies in fall from punt

By Russell Jenkins

STUDENTS at Oxford University offered prayers in their college chapel last night after a mature student fell from a punt and drowned in the river . Cherwell

The body of Stephen Royal. 35, was recovered after a three-hour search by police frogmen. The accident happened while he was punting along the river in University Parks on Saturday afternoon. Sergeant Ian Lock, of Thames Valley Police, said: "He may have leaned too far on the pole. He fell in and just disappeared." -

The Thames Valley Police underwater research unit was brought in to help the search for Mr Royal, supported by Oxfordshire Fire Service and a police helicopter. The operation was hampered by poor visibility because of low fo-

There were no suspicious circumstances surrounding the death and police are investigating the possibility that Mr Royal, of Bristol,

suffered an epileptic fit. Roy Singh, a fellow student at Manchester College, said of Mr Royal: "He was one of those people who didn't really worry what others thought of him. He was just a very nice guy with a very good heart a heart of gold."
His death has shocked stu-

dents among whom punting is a traditional and popular pastime. Thousands are expected to take advantage of today's Bank Holiday and take punts on the river for as little as £2.50 an hour.

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Peak of controversy will let visitors look but not touch

FINAL approval is expected son, is the government quango next month for a a funicular responsible for Scotland's enrailway in the Cairngorms. vironment and had earlier but environmental groups are opposed the scheme. Its unreatening to appeal to Europe over the plan, which objection won a number of concessions, including a reduction in the height of the original structure by four would bring an extra 175,000 visitors a year to one of the continent's last unspoilt mountain areas.

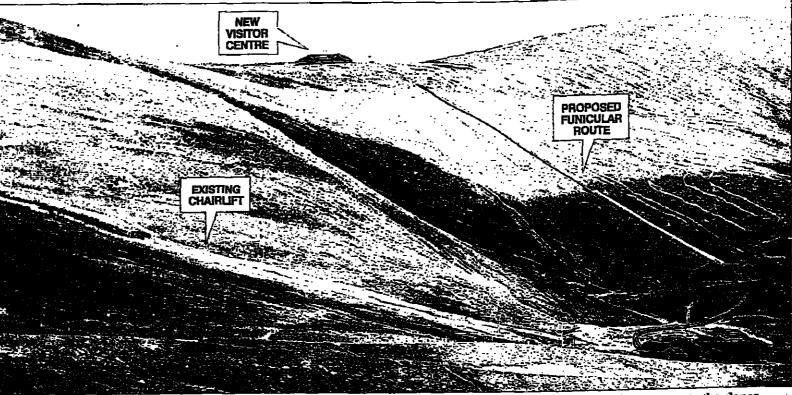
The developers say that the "not-to-touch" compromise will lose approximately 30 per Instead of the present chairlift system, the 2.3-kilometre cent of the more active summountain railway would whisk visitors up 1,245-metre mer visitors they had hoped to attract, but they still maintain Cairn Gorm to a 250-seat restaurant and an interpretathat numbers will quadruple tive centre. Under a controverfrom the present 50,000 to about 225,000. Hamish Swan, chairman of sial compromise that helped to win the support of Scottish

the Cairngorm Mountain Railway Company, insists it Natural Heritage, summer visitors would not be allowed out on to the mountain itself. will still be viable and will They would have to stay in "ensure an all-year visitor the visitor centre, watch the experience of national ranking presentation, enjoy the view, with significant added value to the benefit of environmental then descend again by railway. No illicit strolling would education and economic and recreational interests". Scot-Scottish Natural Heritage, tish National Heritage's decichaired by Magnus Magnussion to back the project,

provided the visitor management scheme is further amended, provoked an extraordinary reaction from one of its own most distinguished Professor Christopher

Smout, the Scottish historian, defended the decision but said that the development was far from ideal: "It is likely in summer to deliver only a very disappointing visitor experience - those rash enough to buy tickets will be shot up the mountain in a sealed capsule, kept inside the interpretative centre and restaurant, and tranported back without a chance to taste the real world."

Environmental groups, including the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, the Ramblers Association and the National Trust for Scotland, believe the plan remains a threat to the landscape and will increase visitor pressure on an area which is subject to the European Union's most



The routes of the current chairlift and the proposed mountain railway in the Cairngorms. Skiers will still have access to the slopes

stringent protections for birds and natural habitat.

The RSPB, which owns a neghbouring site on the other side of the mountain, is proposing an alternative scheme "gondola" cable cars visitors to a halfway point. It has attacked the Scottish National Heritage decision for "putting short-term political expediency before its role as guarantor of our natural heritage". Dave Morris. of the Ramblers Association, calls the scheme "daft". from the bottom."

Along with the RSPB, the ramblers have asked the Scottish Secretary, Michael Forsyth, to intervene. Mr Morris said: "We'd like him to to look at the whole issue, environmental and financial. It would not be acceptable to have two classes of visitors - those who

take the funicular, and those who have to set out to walk

However, given that Scot-tish National Heritage has indicated that it is in favour, Mr Forsyth is unlikely to intervene. This week a draft agreement on visitor management will be sent to all the parties involved. If it is signed, the go-ahead will be given.

The RSPB would then consider taking its case to the European Court of Justice. There is also the matter of the

£6 million of Euro-funds on

which the site depends under

the Objective One scheme for marginal areas. Scottish National Heritage says it is strictly interpreting the European Habitats and Species Directive, which gives

status and requires that any proposal must not adversely affect "the integrity of the site". For this reason, even a proposal that visitors should be allowed out on to the hill escorted by rangers was rejected because there was no guarantee that some errant walkers would not escape.

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Car tolls planned to cut congestion in countryside

By Jonathan Prynn, transport correspondent

in the countryside, including charging cars to drive in the national parks and a 50 mph rural speed limit, are to be considered by the Govern-

ment in the summer.

The proposals will form the basis of talks involving the Countryside Commission, the Government's statutory adviser on rural issues, and the environment and transport departments. The commission is concerned that the Government has overlooked the detrimental effect of traffic on country lanes in its rush to solve congestion in fowns and

Research carried out by the commission suggests that the majority of motorists would pay a toll to drive in popular country areas, including the Lake District and the Peak District, where millions of visitors get stuck in traffic jams every summer. The studes have also shown that charges could be used to discourage traffic on relatively

quiet roads through villages. Ken Robertson, the commission's national policy adviser, said: "The research we have done suggests that it is not just congestion and high traffic

MEASURES to restrict traffic flows that can spoil rural roads. It can also be relatively low traffic flows - perhaps just 25 heavy lorries a day

passing through a village."
But legislation allowing authorities in rural areas to introduce tolls and local speed limits is probably some years off because of fears that it could deter tourists. Rural shops and services earn more. than £5 billion a year from tourism and the majority of visitors use their cars to travel to the countryside.

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Mr Robertson said: "People seem to be prepared to accept a charging regime, but they have yet to be persuaded that the problem is significant enough to make them act. People need to have a reassuring message. The Govern-ment has said in its transport Green Paper that it is a mistake to assume that pricing mechanisms are likely to hurt the less well off."

In an RAC survey of drivers in the North York Moors, two thirds agreed in principle to contributing to the costs imposed by traffic. Of those, 56 per cent supported tolls, 25 per cent higher parking charges and 19 per cent daily passes to



Romeo ban head made an inspector

By Emma Wilkins

A HEADMISTRESS who banned her pupils from see-ing a production of Romeo and Juliet on the grounds that it was "a blatantly heterosexual love story" is to become a schools inspector.

Jane Brown, head Kingsmead Primary School in Hackney, east London, will take up her post in September and will continue as head of Kingsmead. Ms Brown, a lesbian, will report on children's "spiritual, moral, social and cultural development" as well as teaching standards and the financial management of primary schools.

Her refusal to allow her pupils to take up free tickets to Romeo and Juliet caused outrage among MPs and many teachers. John Major attacked her decision as a "deplorable example of political correctness".

Ms Brown, who was supported by parents and governors, overcame an attempt by the local education authority to order her suspension. A spokesman for the Office for Standards in Education said that she was well qualified to become an inspector.

Dunblane injuries kept private

Children who died in Dunblane massacre will not be named when details of their injuries are disclosed at the public inquiry, which starts on Wednesday. The 16 pupils, killed with their teacher by Thomas Hamilton in March, will be listed alphabetically, from Child A to Child P. Dr Sheila Gray, a bereavement counsellor in Dunblane, said: Linking names and injuries would have put an even great-er burden on the families."

IVF triplets

A woman who stole £20,000 from her employers to pay for IVF treatment has given birth to triplets. Michelle Darby, 27, of Bracknell, Berkshire, who was given a 12-month suspended sentence, had two girls and a boy by Caesarean section.

RAF jet crashes

An RAF pilot ejected safely when his Hawk jet was in-volved in collision with a Portuguese F16 during an airshow in Portugal. The pilot. who has not been named, was taken to hospital.

Final whistle

A firm of undertakers is offering coffins in the deceased's favourite football colours. William Hall, of Newchurch, Isle of Wight, is also offering multi-coloured caskets for hippies.

The Botanical Gardens in Edinburgh are at Inverleith Row, not on the Royal Mile, as reported in the Weekend sec-

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Prisons put on standby for football hooligans

By STEWART TENDLER AND RICHARD FORD

PRISON officials have drawn up emergency plans to house hundreds of extra remand prisoners if the Euro 96 football championship leads to serious disorder.

Five jails are on standby in case of riots at the 31 games, which begin in 12 days. Courts and police forces have also drawn up contingency

The prison plans are expected to include increasing the number of prisoners per cell and temporarily moving inmates to other jails. Also, new prisoners will be admitted at weekends, instead of the normal practice of accepting them



only from courts and police

stations during the week. The emergency plans followed talks between prison officials, police and magistrates' courts. A spokeswoman for the Prison Service said: "We are working closely with the courts and police in the areas where the matches are being played and have contingency plans in place should they be needed."

The five jails involved in the Euro 96 strategy are Worm-wood Scrubs and Holloway in London, plus Liverpool, Durham and Leeds. The games are being played in London, Birmingham, Leeds, Sheffield. Newcastle upon Tyne, Liverpool, Nottingham and

Magistrates' courts in Newcastle, Birmingham and Nottingham will hold night sittings if necessary and in Sheffield routine court business will be kept to a minimum for the days after games

in case there are extra cases. The eight police forces that will cover the venues during the three-week championship have also drawn up contingency plans to deal with a sudden rush of arrests should riots break out at the matches.

Some have earmarked large stations to handle the arrests: others will transport prisoners to stations with spare capacity. In Newcastle, prisoners may be kept in cells at the St James's Park ground, which were opened last year. London has a large number of stations that can take prisoners and also has extra capacity at logistics headquarters at

Policy on dealing with fans has been discussed by the magistrates' courts and the Crown Prosecution Service. Malcolm George, the Assistant Chief Constable of Greater Manchester and co-

ordinator of the policing operation, has said that one of the problems for police will be that fans cannot be automatically deported or rounded up to prevent trouble, as in other European countries. "If fans are bailed, they could be out again the next day, although we can restrict their move-ment and conditions of release," he said

Courts may impose bail restrictions that ban fans from further matches or the cities where matches are being played. Other prisoners may be kept on remand because they have no fixed address in this country.

Rival gangs plan fights by fax and mobile phone

By Adam Fresco

A FIXTURE list of international battles is being arranged by hooligan "generals" for next month's Euro 96 championship using modern business

Gang leaders claim to have made contact with gangs abroad by fax and to have held planning meetings. On match days, the leaders will contact each other by mobile tele-phone; if the police stop a fight, an alternative battleground will be arranged. . .

Yesterday one convicted hooligan in his late 20s, from south London, said there had been regular contacts, for months between rival gang leaders at home and with hooligans in Germany, Holland, France and Italy. The man, the leader of a "firm", said: "We are well prepared. We will be able to move a lot quicker than the police. All the countries, while enemies, have been working together to make sure this all goes to plan."

He forecast that the biggest fight would involve English and Dutch hooligans joining forces against Germany. Even though we hate Holland, we hate Germany even more and we're out to teach

them a lesson." Neil, 29, a Chelsea fan and member of the notorious Chelsea Headhunters, said the main battles would be against Holland and Scotland: "We know the police are watching us but if they nick one of us there'll be another to take his place. We know the police are using closed-circuit television in and around the grounds so we will meet up away from there. The best places are train stations because you can get to them before they have had a

chance to group up.

The police reckon they are

Nine men accused of conspiracy to cause violent disorder were bailed by Newcastle upon Tyne magistrates and banned from Euro 96 matches. Three others were held in custody. Seven charged with violent disorder have police bail on condition that they keep away from Euro 96.

on top of the situation but how can they stop two sets of people fighting? If we are stopped on match day then we will meet the next day or the next. You cannot patrol every street in every town 24 hours a day. We have been looking forward to this for too long to be stopped."
Neil, who works on a mar-

ket stall, said: "There is no way we are going to let foreigners come over here and think they can do us. We are playing at home and have nothing to lose. Of course some of us are going to be nicked but we will be out in time for the next game and the next fight. It's not like playing abroad when you can be deported and it's difficult to

get back into the country.

People don't realise how important this is to us. We are defending our country and we are proud of that. The Dutch, Germans and Italians are the main threat, but there are just too many of us. It doesn't matter what weapons they

bring, they can't do us all " Peter, 30, a Millwall supporter who now lives in Manchester, used to be deeply in-volved with the club's Bushwhacker gang and is coming out of retirement for Euro 96. "Some people enjoy gardening or fishing," he said. "I like





Margaret Scott-Bruce with Poppy. Vets said a human pacemaker was the terrier's only chance of survival

NHS leftovers snapped up to save sick pets

PETS are being given secondhand human pacemakers as veterinary science comes under increasing pressure to harness medical advances and keep animals alive regardless of cost.

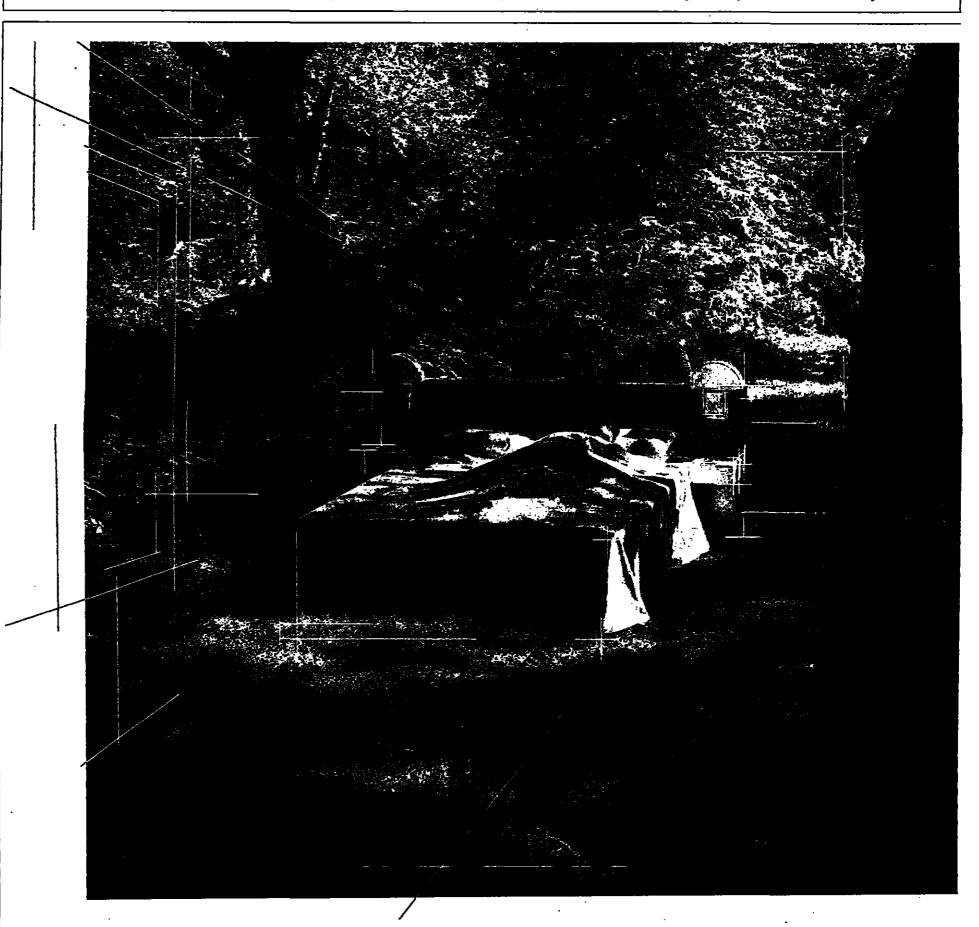
Poppy, a six-year-old cairn bitch, is at the vanguard of a revolution which has brought body scans to cats, dentistry to rabbits and hip replace-ments to arthrific dogs. Pop-py, the pet of Ronald and Margaret Scott-Bruce, was given a chance of life by John Sauvage, a leading vet, who uses redundant pacemakers from humans. They cost thousands of pounds to buy for people and are usually scrapped. Mr Sauvage said: "Most hospitals are very keen when they hear a dog might need a pacemaker and just give us the unit."

Pacemakers have to replaced regularly in humans and are removed from corpses in case they explode during cremation. Either way, the old pacemaker

could end up inside a pet. The Scott-Bruces, from Ton-bridge, Kent, are thrilled with Poppy's progress after nine days in hospital and a bill of £1,500. "She was the runt of the litter," said Mr Scott-Bruce, 59, a railway travel adviser. "We took pity on her because we thought no one else would want her. She is now the size of a normal cairn and one would never

When Poppy was two, it suffered from coughing fits and collapsed up to 20 times a day. After a seizure almost killed it, the Scott-Bruces were told that only a pacemaker could cure the dog's erratic heartbeat. It was put into a magnetic resonance imaging scanner at the Centre for Small Animal Studies in Newmarket, allowing vets instantly to identify

"She's been perfect since the operation, fitter than me," Mr Scott-Bruce said. The couple had veterinary insurance.



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£24,000 cost of teenagers who stay in education

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION EDITOR

PARENTS who think their The remainder are either in financial worries are coming to an end when their children reach their late teens could not he more wrong, according to research published today.

Most parents will have to find at least £24,000 to support their children between the ages of 16 and 21 and, in some cases, the bill can be as high as £66,000. The school leaving age used to signal the moment when the majority of teenagers were expected to start carning and contribute to the family budget, but with most staying on at school or college. and a third going on to higher education, the years of dependence have been extended.

Of more than half a million l6-year-olds, fewer than 100,000 now leave school and go into full-time employment

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education, on training programmes or are unemployed; all continuing to rely on parents for financial support.

By the age of 18, many have left home to go to university. but the declining value of government grants has left parents still contibuting thousands of pounds. The survey shows that parents spend an average of £2,640 on their student sons and daughters. while some add a further £1,040 for student loans.

Parents of a typical teenage will now pick up the bill for driving lessons, a first car and holidays. At the same time, food costs rise, insurance soars and the telephone bill goes through the roof.

A survey commissioned by the Asda supermarket chain

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found that the majority of teenagers brought in some money, if only from part-time jobs or child benefit, but most of the financial burden was shouldered by parents. Even the low-cost option, without luxuries such as birthday parties, a car or higher education, sets parents back more than £7,500 over the five years. The research, carried out by

Jan Walsh, a consumer specialist, is based on a panel of parents from varying backgrounds with costs verified through national statistics. The bulk of the extra spending for the typical family comes in increased household bills, including more than £1,000 a year for food, but educational costs account for a growing share of the budget.

Parents expect to spend between £60 and £200 a year on birthday and Christmas presents, at least £450 on driving lessons and some add £900 to equip a teenager with a mobile phone. For the third who go to university, the average contribution to maintenance costs is £2,400.

Inevitably, spending varies. The report assumes, for example, that teenagers opt out of family holidays, but some are expected to meet most of the costs of an alternative themselves. High earners, however, will pay up to £500 a year towards the costs.

Ms Walsh says: "The teenage years are nerve-racking and tumultuous - and that's just for the parents. We hope we have calculated for all eventualities, but you never know with teenagers.

to Oasis and Prodigy. The season kicked off this

One of the hottest live shows of the year, the



Tribal Gathering; Otmoor Park.
Oxfordshire; postponed from May 4-new date to be announced: Black Grape.
Chemical Brothers

Fans cheer rock festival revival as profits roll in

By MICHAEL HORSNELL

A RENAISSANCE in openair rock music festivals is expected to attract more than 750,000 people this summer to a dozen big events. Promoters expect a turnover exceeding

To the dismay of some rural communities, vast tracts of the countryside from Loch Lomond to Brighton will fret and heave to generations of fans following artists such as David Bowie, Eric Clapton, Bob Dylan and the Sex Pistols

weekend with the Essential Music Festival at Stanmer Park, Brighton, with 10,000 a day heading for the rolling hills of the South Downs for the three-day event which ends tonight. Today's reggae day will be headlined by Burning Spear after sell-out crowds on Saturday and vesterday braved the rain to listen to Goldie, the Prodigy, Underworld, Echobelly, the Lightning Seeds and

MasterCard Masters of Music Concert, will be on June 29 in Hyde Park, the first rock show there since 1976. Harvey Goldsmith, the promoter, said: There is a whole revival in the music industry, from classic to rock. There was a three or four-year lean period with nothing decipherable coming out, but now things are really healthy."

Despite the sound of silence for the first time in 25 years this summer at Glastonbury, normally the biggest open-air event of its kind, the season will break all records. Tickets range from £8 to £65 for the bigger festivals, with big business promoters expecting a profit margin of more than 10 per cent, according to industry sources.

In the wake of their growing revival, rock festivals are attracting political muscle, opprobrium and delight in equal measure. Some \$0,000 fans have presented Michael Forsyth, the Scottish Secretary, with one of the more difficult decisions of his career: whether to approve May 25-27, Essential Music Festival Stanmer Park, Brighton: 70 acts on two stages: featuring Prodigy. Underworld, The Aloof June 8 The Fleadh; Finsbury Park, London: Sting, and much irish music July 13-14, T in the Park; Strathclyde Country Park, Hamilton; Black Grape, July 18-21, Phoenix Festival; Long Marston, Stratford-upon-Avon; David Bowie, Sex Pistols, Bjork, Manic Street Preachers 7 July 19 to 21, Womed; on the banks of the Thames at Rivermead Leisure Centre, Reading; a world music event with 50 artists from 20 countries August 3 to 4, Loch Lomond Festival; Balloch Country Park, Loch Lomondside; Ossis (to be confirmed) August 10, Oasis;
 Knebworth Park, Herts (10) August 17, Monsters of Rock; Donnington Park, Leicestershire August 23 to 25, Reading Festival line-up to be announced 100,000 fans who attend. Dumbartonshire Council.

THE LEADING FESTIVALS THIS SEASON

two Oasis concerts in a conservation area beside Loch Lomond. Tickets for the event on August 3 and 4 have been sold before planning permission has been granted.

If Mr Forsyth refuses, it could cost the Conservatives a large tranche of the youth vote if the agrees, he risks upsetting rural voters near his Stirling constituency, where his majority is 703.

Angry residents, fearing damage to a wildlife haven and their own peace of mind. have complained to West

which stands to gain £70,000 from the concerts. Its planning committee will make a decision on June 5.

Meanwhile Michael Eavis, the Somerset farmer on whose land the Glastonbury festival is held, is suspending the event this year amid claims that it would harm his chances as prospective Labour parliamentary candidate

Mr Eavis maintains that the cows. the farm and the village need a rest from the Locals agree.

Meivyn Benn, festival director of the leading promoters Mean Fiddler, which is running the Phoenix festival at Strafford-upon-Avon, said: "The popularity of these events is largely down to the value for money. I rarely pay less than £20 to watch Manchester United play football for 90 minutes. But you can get eight bours' entertainment for that sort of money."

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Young give up British beef

NEARLY half of teenagers have stopped eating British beef since the latest BSE scare. a study has found.

The research indicated that seven out of ten teenagers had lost confidence in British beef since a new strain of Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease was disclosed. Five of the 11 sufferers linked to the new strain

Government's advisory group said CJD was a rare disease and the risk of contracting it via beef in the food chain was believed to be extremely low.

The survey found, however, that 72 per cent of teenagers were worried about British beef and 47 per cent had stopped eating it. Nearly 23 per cent were eating less beef have been under 20. The and 4 per cent had stopped

eating meat altogether. Fortyone per cent said they would still eat beefburgers.

The survey was carried out for Watchdog Healthcheck on BBCI tonight. Researchers inrerviewed 430 teenagers in Merthyr Tydfil, Dover, Newcastle upon Tyne, London and Glasgow.

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defence of faith

BY RUTH GLEDHILL AND JAMES LANDALE

BUCKINGHAM Palace and Downing Street denied yesterday that the Prince of Wales and the Prime Minister were at odds over the future monarch's wish to be seen as defender of faith" rather than Defender of the Faith".

John Major had said that for the Prince to be defender of ace emphasised that the Prince had not said he wished to be "defender of faiths". Two years ago, the Prince told Jonathan Dimbleby in an interview that he wanted to be seen as "defender of faith".

Martin Bashir, the journalist responsible for the Panorama interview with the Princess of Wales, interviewed Mr Major, Tony Blair and Paddy Ashdown for an edition of BBC2's East, to be broadcast this week, in which Asian viewers put questions via a video link. A Glasgow man asks Mr Major: "Would you be happy for the Prince of Wales to be titled defender of faiths rather than Defender of the Faith when he succeeds to the throne?" Mr Major replies: "I think we would want as a Government and as a country to defend the integrity would be a little odd if Prince Charles was defender of faiths

But Dr Jonathan Romain. Reform rabbi of Maidenhead Synagogue, said that Mr Major was wrong to see the Prince's wish as an empty gesture. "Prince Charles is recognising the change in the religious climate in Britain, which now a multi-faith society."

Dr Zaki Badawi, head of the Muslim College, said: "The Prince's declaration expresses his desire that the Crown should extend a respect and dignity to all faiths, as the people of those faiths would also regard the Crown with loyalty and respect.

Major questions | Archbishops call for church peace

By Ruth Gledhill, religion correspondent

THE Archbishops of Canterbury and York have called on members of Church of England, split over women priests and homosexuality, to ease their differences in the name of Christian unity. The Archbishop of York, Dr

annual pilgrimage to the tras vital for the future of the Church that invective ceases. Differences must not be minimised, but resolved with

patience instead of selfishness. Dr Hope is expected to face a barrage of protests in the village. Critics of the pilgrimage oppose the catholic ritual of High Churchmanship, especially over devotions paid to

the Virgin Mary. The Anglican shrine, which co-exists peaceably with a Roman Catholic shrine, has been a heartland of opposition to women priests for decades. Dr Hope, regarded as leader the Church's Anglican

out today that the Church has been beset by argument from its earliest days: "While we ought never to minimise those things which keep us apart, it equally vital for the sake of on the very truth on which this Walsingham is established --

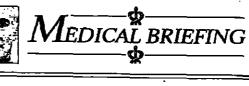
The Archbishop of Canterbury. Dr George Carey. preaching last night in Los Angeles, said: "Learning to live with differences and love one another is what Christ has always called us to do." He urged members not to "walk away from one another" when difficulties loomed.

Earlier, Dr Carey said the nature of the Anglican Church meant that it carried structured dissent within it: "We are a communion which has internalised disagreement and lives with it gladly, most of the

Royal blues are a healthy concern

tive boy who at the age of 13 did not have some appre-hension about the task of continuing a tradition that has lasted for more than 1,000 years. Prince William, who is reported as expressing such doubts, has an intelligent and sensitive face and is at the age when someone has lost the sociopathic personality of a young child, so well exposed in William Golding's Lord of the Flies, but has not yet acquired the assurance and

maturity of later adolescence. If Prince William questions his role as the future King this would seem to be perfectly normal and compatible with his personality. Within three weeks, let alone three years. any adolescent is likely to have totally different views, for their minds are complex and malleable so that their opinions, and importantly those of their peers, are constantly changing as their intellects mature and they gain



confidence. There are other adolescents, however, who do show signs of disturbed behaviour which can be difficult to diagnose. This difficulty results in adolescent behavioural problems either being over-diagnosed, and causing unnecessary family dismay. under-diagnosed, and therefore ignored.

An ordinary adolescent may seem to parents to have ill-considered views, but holding a poorly researched opinsymptom. Most adolescents are disruptive but this is usually a normal stage and no more than an expression of growing independence. The clue to the normality in any adolescent's behaviour is to see how it compares with the

behaviour of the majority of his or her peer group. Adolescents who show evidence of psychiatric symptoms rarely grow up to be assimilated members of society. Unless they are skilfully treated they will probably graduate from the child guidance clinic to psychiatric outpatients.

Hypomania - the minor form of mania — is exceedingrare in childhood but depression is seen more often. and both depression and hypomania are diagnosed comparatively often after puberty. and even younger children, is usually noticed because they become withdrawn and lose pleasure in things that previously brought them happiness. Depressed adolescents

and feel more unloved and misunderstood than other

adults, find it hard to accept that physical symptoms are often a sign of depression. In adolescents, headaches, ab-dominal pain, tiredness and heavy limbs may all be symptoms. Suicide is a risk but. although its incidence is increasing particularly among boys, it is not yet common.

Childhood and adolescent disorders usually need drug therapy and expert psychiatric guidance; often a change of environment may be needed but sermons from their elders do not help. In adolescents with a family history of psychiatric disease, care must be taken to minimise stress, including that associated with

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Majorca claims children caught meningitis at home

IN MADRID AND ALEXANDRA WILLIAMS

A GIRL aged five from Merseyside, Michaela Leyland, is critically ill with meningitis in a hospital on Majorca. Medical sources at Palma's Son Dureta Hospital, the island's largest, said yesterday that her condition was "extremely

grave".
"She is battling for her life," a doctor said.

"most unlikely" that Michaela contracted the illness on the island. She has been diagnosed as suffering from meningococcal septicaemia, for which, they argue, the incubation period can be up to ten days, suggesting that she contracted the disease before leaving Britain. Yet the case, the fourth in a week involving young foreign tourists in Majorca has provoked fear

among holidaymakers. Two of the cases proved fatal. Christopher Richards, 13, from Local doctors insist that it is Middleton-on-Sea, West Sussex,

died last Monday in Ca'n Picafort.
An 11-year-old German girl at the resort died last Tuesday.

an epidemic. "The meningitis was not contracted here," he said. Other officials insisted that the strain has

Thomas O'Neill, three, from Leeds, who was diagnosed as suffering from the illness in Magaluf, was released from hospital after responding to treatment.

The local health authorities, reacting to growing panic among tourists with young children, have tried to dispel their fears. Gines Martinez Pina, the Director-General of Health in the Government, denied on Saturday that there was officials insisted that the strain has

been "imported from Britain". Bartomeu Cabrer, the Government's health counsellor, insists that all the evidence points to the fact that each of the four children so far infected already had the illness when they arrived in Majorca.

Local health authorities say urgent steps have been taken through the Ministry of Health in Madrid to co-operate with health authorities in Britain, particularly on Merseyside, so that the "root of the problem" can be traced.

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With the meningitis scare coming at a busy period for the travel industry operators in Britain were yesterday attempting to allay fears to minimise cancellations. An Airtours spokesman said: "We have set up a helpline in Britain to deal with the concerns of those travelling soon ... until their fears are put to rest we will continue to provide this service. All the expert medical advice tells us that Majorca is safe and, until we hear

otherwise, we will continue to send holiday makers there."

had cancelled their holidays since last Wednesday but there was no evidence that any tourists had cut short their holidays, adding: "Over the weekend we had 5,000 Britons in Majorca for the Bank Holiday."

John Dolan, 38, Thomas O'Neill's uncle, told yesterday how the boy became ill two days before the family was due to fly home after a two-week holiday. The boy had travelled to Majorca with his parents, Steven, 36, and Maureen, 33, his brother and another uncle. "He fell ill on the Thursday and the following day was much worse, with vomiting and shaking," Mr

Dolan said. "He was taken into an interna-tional hospital in Palma. An hour after he got there his heart stopped and he was put in intensive care in

a critical condition. "He's a heck of a lucky kid. The odds were against him and they didn't expect him to pull through on Friday night," Mr Dolan said.

Adultery scandal returns to plague Netanyahu on TV

FROM CHRISTOPHER WALKER IN JERUSALEM

ISRAEL'S lacklustre election campaign exploded into life last night when Binyamin "Bibi" Netanyahu, the rightwing challenger, agreed for the first time that he had been wrong to go on television in 1993 to admit adultery. He alleged that political rivals had videotaped him in "compromising romantic situa-tions" with a woman other than his third wife, Sara.

There are some doubts that the videotape, which he said rivals had threatened to release unless he dropped out of the race for the Likud leadership, exists. David Levy, the rival he implied was behind the threat, is now a political

ally.

The public revival of the scandal came during a 30minute televised debate with his one opponent for the directly elected post of Prime Minister, Shimon Peres, the Labour leader. Polisters believe that public reaction to the debate will be crucial in determining the outcome of Wednesday's vote, with both



and most polls showing Mr Peres with a precarious lead of only four percentage points that could be wiped out by a single suicide bomb attack by Islamic militants.

During the televised debate, Mr Netanyahu, 46, the Likud leader once voted Israel's sexiest politician, tried to shrug off the slur of what one Israeli "the sex, lies and videotape affair" Likud officials fear that the affair could lose him vital votes among ultra-Orthodox Jews in whose neighbourhoods his political enemies have put up campaign posters

Blessings and curses rain down on voters

FROM ROSS DUNN IN JERUSALEM

SOME of Israel's most important religious parties have been attempting to weave a spell on the country's elections, offering amulets, blessings and curses to influence

The issue created such a dispute between the parties that it led to the blessings and curses being banned by the Central Elections Committee.

Of the religious parties, Shas and the National Religious Party are the most important. Shas, which is supported by a large number of Jews of Oriental extraction, could maintain its current

representation of six seats while the NRP could increase its number to seven.

During the campaign Shas is said to have distributed up to 150,000 election kits with the blessing of a cabbalist (Jewish mystical) rabbi. The kits contained amulets and memorial candles, bringing blessings and protection from terrorists. On the other hand, those who do not vote for Shas were cursed.

The NRP dismissed the Shas kits as "idol worship", but decided to take no chances and issued their own "undoing vows".

not commit adultery." In the debate, Mr Netanyahu was asked by Dan Margalit, a journalist: "The incident of the tape and admitting adultery on national television - what does this say about your

ability to make decisions

The Likud leader, whose election would probably lead to the collapse of the Middle East peace process and whose advisers have been struggling to rebuild his image as a family man, replied: "Regard-ing that affair [with Ruth Bar, a married political consultant|, I expressed deep regret. It hurt me. It hurt my wife."

Mr Netanyahu added: People here live in fear. The whole country lives in fear. If you pay attention, you may notice that this whole campaign has been an attack on my personality, on my family. my patriotism.

This last remark referred to allegations, backed by documents printed in the daily newspaper Maariv, that in America Mr Netanyahu had changed his name to "Nitay", allegedly because at one stage he might have been thinking of living in America. Mr Netanyahu, regarded as Isra-el's most skilful television performer, denied that

Mr Peres was also subjected to strict questioning. Israel's subjected to military censorship -- was brought into the debate when Mr Margalit said to the Prime Minister "You have said that for a real peace, you are willing to give up Israel's nuclear option. Mr Peres said that this allegation and a charge that he had admitted that the

Golan Heights, occupied in 1967, was "Syrian land" were merely "quotes from newspapers". His reply on the nuclear issue was cut off by the bell used when either candidate gone over the time



Aung San Suu Kyi, the National League for Democ-racy's leader, told about 10,000 cheering people outside her Rangoon home that the party would not bend to pressure from the military Government, but would push ahead towards its goal of

"Giving in to bullying is not good for ... the bully or those who are bullied," she told her chanting supporters. We must have the courage to face the bully's challenge. I am very pleased and satisfied to see the people have real

соцгаде. Daw Suu Kyi spoke after the first day of a three-day party meeting which the rul-ing military-led State Law and Order Restoration Council (Slorc) tried to scuttle by arresting most of the elected politicians due to attend. Instead of being cowed by 258 arrests, including 238 elected party representatives. Daw Suu Kyi said at the opening ceremony that the meeting was only the first in a series of party gatherings to chart the course of its campaign.

She told a news conference later that the party hoped to they were freed from detention. Slore says it has not



arrested party activists but only detained them for ques-tioning to avoid "anarchy". Most South-East Asian states have kept an official

little-discussed nuclear ar-hold a meeting of all members silence on Burma's crack- ties tried very hard to prevent senal — a topic normally elected in the 1990 polls, once down, in contrast to the pro-us from holding this confersilence on Burma's crack-America, Australia and Japan. to go ahead with it."

Daw Suu Kyi said her party plans a more active future.
"We need to have the right to do more. We'll have to create opportunities ... the authorities tried very hard to prevent tests voiced by Britain, ence, but we were determined

Daw Suu Kyi, 1991 winner of the Nobel Peace Prize, has emphasised patience and moderation since her release in July from six years' house arrest. She said the campaign must now be stepped up.

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Mandela proclaims need for sell-offs

FROM RAY KENNEDY

PRESIDENT Mandela has set the stage for a fierce dispute with organised labour after he announced on his return from a visit to Germany that privatisation of state assets is a fundamental pillar of government policy. He discarded the phrase

"reconstruction of para-statals" used by the Govern-ment to mollify the Congress of South African Trade Unions (Cosatu). On his return to South Africa on Friday. he said: "Privatisation is the fundamental policy of the ANC and it is going to be implemented. The responsibility for creating an investor and trade-friendly environment is for us to take."

Mr Mandela was made aware during his three-day German visit that international investor confidence in South Africa can be restored only if his Government adopts a neutral position in relations with both labour and employers.

Today Cosatu is to announce decisions taken at a weekend meeting of its executive. Sam Shilowa, its general secretary, made it plain at a World Economic Forum meeting in Cape Town last week that it views privatisation with total hostility, on the ground that it would perpetuate the effects of apartheid by failing to redress the inequitable dis-

Trevor Manuel, the Finance Minister, emphasised yesterday that privatisation would take place after a detailed case by-case analysis.

Cyprus poll dominated by division

Nicosia: Greeks in Cyprus voted yesterday in elections dominated by Greece's dispute with Turkey over the island which, after 22 years, is at last attracting interest on both sides of the Atlantic (Michael Theodoulou writes).

The most important new element is Cyprus's looming accession to the EU. Entry talks are to begin next year and Brussels is alarmed by the prospect of having to usher in à divided country. America is concerned because the dispute potentially affects Nato.

Chinese to free senior official

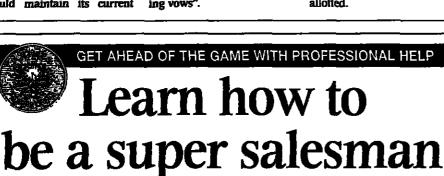
Hong Kong: Bao Tong, once one of China's highest ranking officials, who was jailed after Tiananmen, will be released today after seven years (Jonathan Mirsky writes). He was secretary to the Politburo Standing Committee and, in 1989, he was chief of staff to Zhao Ziyang, the party general secretary, who has been under house arrest during Mr

New Indian poll 'a matter of time'

Delhi: The Hindu nationalist Bharatiya Janata Party, sworn in 11 days ago to form the next Indian Government, has admitted that it is likely to lose a vote of confidence this week. Its leader, Lal Krishna Advani, said fresh elections "were only a matter of time" after polls this month resulted in a hung parliament. (Reuter)

Queen snubbed over Olympics

Sydney: Bob Carr, Premier of New South Wales, has said the Queen will not be welcome to open the 2000 Olympics (Roger Maynard writes). The Premier, who has no power to exclude the Queen, has not ruled out inviting Australia's



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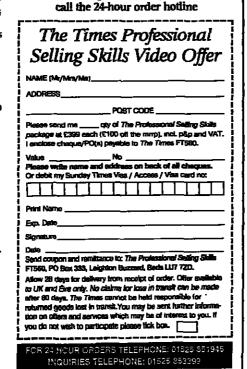
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Chechenia failures force Yeltsin to peace table

Kremlin talks a boost in poll battle

FROM THOMAS DE WAAL IN ALLEROL CHECHENIA

WHEN President Yeltsin receives today the leader of the Chechen rebels — or "bandits" as he has called them in the past — it will be a tacit acknowledgement that he has failed to crush the separatist rebellion by military means.

Finding a solution to the war in Chechenia has become the most urgent policy priority for Mr Yeltsin as he approaches the June 16 presidential elections, because the 17month-old war continues to be

deeply unpopular in Russia. A peace plan announced on March 31 by the President has failed to bring any conspicu-ous results and Mr Yeltsin has decided to take the matter publicly out of the hands of his generals, entrusting it to his own personally appointed peace commission.

Today Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev, the rebel leader, will be accompanied from the southern hills of Chechenia to the gates of the Kremlin by the head of the Grozny mission of the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe. The talks will focus on a longterm military truce and avoid the thorny question of Chechenia's political status.

In public, the Russian authorities have puffed up their huge spring offensive in Chechenia. Yesterday the top Russian commander in Chechenia, Vyacheslav Tikhomirov, said the rebels' stronghold in the village of Barnut had fallen to his forces and a "turning point" had been reached in the war.

But the authorities fail to announce that the bases they have "captured", like the mountain village of Vedeno. are often quietly retaken by the Chechen rebels days or



Folk singers surround a campaigning Boris Yeltsin in the city of Archangel

weeks later. And they report casualty rates that do not match the intensity of the fighting on the ground.

in the wooded valleys of southeast Chechenia there are no Russian soldiers to be seen at all. Khunkar Israipilov, the man who led the defence of the village of Pervomaiskoye in January against a huge Russian bombardment, receives visitors openly in his mother's house in the village of Alleroi. "Any plot of land that they take has to be captured again and again," he said. They went up to Vedeno and now they have to fight their way

back there." Another fighter, Hussein, said: "I always carry my weapons when I go through a checkpoint. The soldiers just turn away. No one wants any shooting.

been forced to take up new tactics, choosing lightning raids in preference to open

battles. They say small units of fighters have infiltrated every-where, including the cartest. Grozny, which can take the Russians by surprise. The strategy plays to their strengths: knowledge of the terrain and high mobility. One such attack on an

THINKING THE UNTHINKABLE ... WHAT IF THE COMMUNISTS WIN?

Throughout the world foreign ministries, defence experts, think-tanks and financiers are pondering the outcome of Russia's election beginning on June 16. With President Yeltski and the Communist party leader Germadi Zyuganov running neck-and-neck they are forced to ask what will happen if the Communists return to power? The Times's correspondents give some of their answers.



Busials Communists insist that they do not went confrontation with the West, although their stated policies put them on a collision course with their Cold Wer activaries. The flustrypoint will be in Eastern Europe. The Communists, whose ideology is as notionalist as it is socialist, would regard a Natornove eastwards as a direct threat. The Kremän will create a military alliance among former Soviet republics. Espionage would almost cartainly locrease and the Baltic states could become a sinderbox. Although they do not intend to export Manist revolution, the Communists would restore friendly diplomatic relations and military that with countries file less Order before and Chino

The Communists would curie press freedoms and crack down on political opponents. They have made it clear that they would absention the results policies. Some banks would be nationalised and some loss meking enterprises returned to government control. Mass arrests and beneriate travel absence fulcht. vounger generation. Remaionalising the aconomy would lead to an instant flight of capital, spiraling inflation and would destroy the multi-billion cound INF loan

Will the Soviet Empire

The Communists plan to recreete the tormer Soviet. Empire and reintegrate most of the 15 former republics. Some would resist and threaten to drag the West into war.

armoured column on April 16 in the Shatoi region, in which about 100 conscripts were killed, created a political storm in Moscow and led to calls in parliament for Pavel Grachev, the Defence Minister, to resign.

Aslan Maskhadov, the Chechens' supreme commander, said his men had staged an even more devastating ambush earlier in the year

Will President Clinton be the man who "lost" Russia?

Bob Dole, the Republican presidential numinee, would certainly strive to pin that label on the President. He would eccuse Mr Clinton of eccuse Mr Clinton of squarelening America's Cold War victory. But Mr Dole has not said what he would have done differently and Mr Clinton has if anything bean too supportive of President Yeltsin. He has littlered han at summits, engineered big international loans, and proceeded cautiously on Nato expansion. In Moscow last reportif Mr Clinton even literaed Mr Yeltsin's brutal suppression of Chechenials independence bid to Lincoln's refused to let the South secade.

Will Mr Dole gain?

The return of Communists to That could wall drive votes back to life Tole as, the apprehendative of a generation that won the second World Wer and the Cold War and has long believed in strong defences. By contrast, Mr Clinton might look naive for pinning so much hope on Mr Yeltain.

Would America reverse

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Mr Dole and the Republicar Air Use and the reproductor Congress have been pressin for increased military spendi and the deployment of a national missile defence system by 2003. They have argued for an accelerated expension of Nato. The Russian military is enfected but in an election year Mr Clinton would have to make sperdising America's curity and Central Europe's

How will Nato react?

Nate has no contingency programme to return to Cold War planning & Mr Zyuganov becomes the neaf Russian President. But some key issues have been discussed within the alliance, with the following condusions: Nate's plans to offer alliance membership to offer alliance membership to deer alliance accelerated. The return of a Community leader in Alexanow would provole a renewed sense of insecurity in the Ballic states and Poland, and the United States and Germany, in particular, would come under domestic political pressure to "speed up the process" of expension.

What is the future of arms control?

Patification by the Russian perfament of the Start 2 nuclear missile reduction treaty would probably be delayed even further. However, Mr Zyuganow would be unable to hund Russians current huge spociate of nuclear weapons

The end of the peace

Athough mest Nato members have cut detence spending by 20.25%, countries like the US, Bittain and France have returned sufficient armed torces to fight high intensity wars. There would be no need to increase spending, unless there was a genume return to East/West contraction a separation reum to Essevivest confuntation, a scenario deemed unlikely even under a Construinist preside The Russian Armys poor performance in Chechenia has demonstrated that a Construint lad construint.

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British detence cuts are likely to be put on hold. Defence co-operation with the Russian military - just beginning would wither. Russian

would wither. Russian strategy and bactics would again be the focus for military constroses, and the voice of the defence lobby and the Conservative Right would be stronger. Security and intelligence agencies again would make Fussian ententions a priority. Will international tensio

in diplomacy, Britain will no longer be able to count on Russia as a refable Security tonger to some to count or Russia as a reliable Security Council partner. The West is slicely to exchange less information on key world issues: the Middle East, Boan and nuclear non-proliferation. There could be increased concern at the threat to forme Soviet revoluties, expeciativ Soviet republics, especially Utraine. Rusels may step up nuclear co-operation with kan nuclear co-operation with lean and other rogue states. Ideological competition might revive: the remaining arreal Western Community parties would be encouraged; liberation and left-wing groups around the world would again look to Moscow; Britain and the West would seek to revive diplomatic influence in the non-aligned world,

hadov explained. "As soon as

the Russian forces reached the

line, we went back, seized

what they had just captured and began to fight from the

rear. The Russian forces were

forced to retreat and we again

occupied our positions. And

it's exactly the same now. They

go up, we withdraw, again

occupy territory which they

have captured and strike

blows on them from the rear,

Who in Western Europe will be hardest hit?

Historically, it is Germany which has most to lose. Any instability in Russia would have serious reverberations for two-way trade, worth more than \$10 billion a year. German computers and machine tools have been helping to modernise Russia, white Russian oil and gas have fuelled the German economy. Neither country has much incessive to jacquards such mutually beneficial lies.

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Much depends on what Germad Zyuganov Intends to do. During a meeting with German businessmen earlier fire moreth, Wr Zyuganov insisted that while he was against further privatications, Russia would armain open to the West. But Western amilet would be bound to see investment levels fail. A new maltary threat from the East could also also President Chirac's plans to cut the Franch detence budget, while accelerating France's re-integration into Nato.

What will happen to

European Union aid to help 'Russia in the transition to a market economy, worth some 9550 million stance 1991, and a further \$250 million stance 1991, and a further \$250 million by \$2000 - one of the biggest musit-lateral aid programmes of its kind-would probably be put on ice. This would have immediate repercussions in the banking, public service, nuclear and emitronamental sections where most of the \$EU's aid is emitorumental section most of the EU 's aid in concentrated, But Bruss officials are convinced the dislocation in ties would

Russian policy this spring has been to bomb and shell ordinary Chechen villages and force them to sign "peace agreements" and expel their

The brutality appears only to have intensified hatred of the Russians, seen everywhere as an occupying army.

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UN issues warning over growth in urban poverty

By Michael Binyon, diplomatic editor

of the world's population will live in cities, many of them sprawling Third World conurbations with more than 20 million people, and be suffering from poverty, crime, health hazards and acute housing shortages.

The world's cities are growing by a million people each week. Despite increasing investment, more than a third of the urban population lives in substandard housing and at least 600 million people half of them children — live in life-threatening situations. About 50,000 people die a year because of poor shelter, polluted water and bad sanitation.

The United Nations has released the figures in the runon housing and shelter in istanbul. The gathering is the sixth in the series of UN conferences on poverty, population, human rights and the environment, and follows those held in Rio de Janeiro, Vienna, Cairo, Peking and

Women and girls account for 70 per cent of the estimated 1.3 billion people living in poverty, and are the most rapidly growing group of the impoverished. Their health is often damaged by smoke from cooking fires, and women have no more rights than squatters in parts of the world where they cannot own or

the conference is called, said urban poverty was not a North-South issue: there were problems in London and New York, just as there were in the Third World.

Local authorities will play a key role at the Istanbul conference, which starts next Mon-

day, drawing up "best practice" recommendations. Argument is still raging, however, on whether the delegates Copenhagen. should call for "sustainable" development in cities or "sustained" economic growth.

Calls for housing to be declared a right — the line taken by most developing nations -

led by John Gummer, the Environment Secretary. The Government will underline inherit land. the importance non-govern-Wally N'Dow, the Secre-tary-General of Habitat II, as mental organisations and the private sector can have in tackling city development, urban poverty and shanty-town

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FROM ROGER BOYES

GERMANY'S Agriculture Minister — one of the toughest critics of Britain's beef policies — came under political pressure to resign yesterday after allegations that he had used public funds for weekend hunting trips in

also beg the question about who is to pay for provision. Britain's delegation will be

☐ Peking: China issued new rules yesterday to limit the expansion of its cities and to save land from development in the economic boom. The authorities are concerned that the land is needed to feed the

world's biggest population. The Xinhua news agency said that the new guidelines were issued by the State Council. China is trying to feed one-fifth of the world's population on one-seventh of its arable land. Officials said that China would have 800 cities by the end of the century, compared with 640 at present. (Reuter)

hounded

The Chechens say they have

Jürgen Borchert, a gaunt bespectacled figure who has been calling the tune in European agriculture ministers' meetings on a range of issues including the beef ban, is a passionate hunter. That may prove to be his downfall. "If the accusations are true

then Borchert should resign," Ottmar Schreiner, the Social Democratic deputy leading the attack, said yesterday. The rumours have been

circulating in Bonn for ten days and were made public in the mass circulation Bild am Sonntag yesterday. According to the newspaper, Herr Borchert, Franz-Josef Feiter, his state secretary, and their wives flew in a Luftwaffe jet to Cordoba early last year. The official pretext was to discuss European matters. However, the trip was arranged for a Friday afternoon and they were soon joined by Spanish ministers in a hunt for an lberian mountain goat.

Tears of joy as Bulgarian King returns home after 50 years

By Adam LeBor

THE ecstatic welcome that hundreds of thousands of Bulgarians gave King Simeon II, who returned at the weekend after 50 years in exile, is testament to the enduring power of the monarchy over Marxism in Eastern Europe. The Habsburg throne in

Vienna that once ruled half a continent stands empty and the family's neighbours in Bulgaria and Romania are now mere figureheads in exile. King Simeon in Madrid and King Michael of Romania in Switzerland. However, even

after over four decades of communism, an ideology that is the very annithesis of royal privilege through birth, both remain powerful ligureheads in the lands where their forefathers held sway.

King Simeon, 59, returned to Sofia on Saturday, having fled Bulgaria as a child in 1946 when the victorious Soviet Army installed a pupper Communist regime. Joyous Bulgarians mobbed him yesterday when he toured the capital's Orthodox churches. Opinion polls say that fewer



King Simeon II attends church in Sofia yesterday

than 20 per cent of Bulgarians want the monarchy restored, but at least as many Bulgarians came out to welcome their King as took part in the pro-

democracy demonstrations of Simeon says he is still King, as he has never abdicated claiming, probably rightly, that the 1946 referendum that declared Bulgaria a republic was rigged by the pro-Mos-

cow Communist Government. There was no live coverage of his arrival, but the Saturday night news bulletins did mention his visit, referring to him as Simeon Coburgotski, the name on his passport. The Sunday newspapers showed photographs of King Simeon overcome by tears of joy as he greeted the jubilant

turned out for him were elderly and able to remember the monarchy when it still ruled this small Balkan nation of almost nine million people. The royal reception will have sent tremors through Sofia's corridors of power. Bulgaria's economy is in a parlous state, organised crime has a stranglehold on the country, and alone among the post-Communist nations of Eastern Europe, Bulgarians

are once again queueing to

crowds. Many of those who

Albanian polling extended FROM REUTER

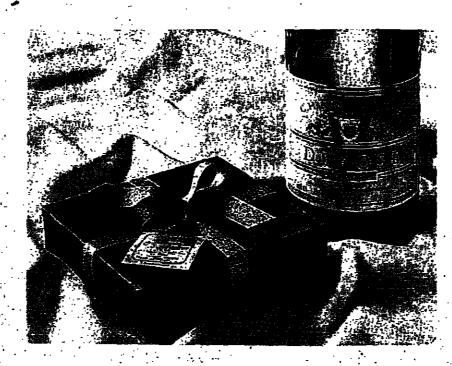
ALBANIA extended voting in the former Communist state's third free election by two hours yesterday as queues formed at polling stations for the tight race between the opposition Socialists.

Witnesses said voting was brisk and likely to meet the expected turnout of about 80 per cent. Queues appeared at polling stations in the capital. Tirana, soon after doors opened. The ruling Democratic Party said that about 42 per cent of voters had cast their ballot by early afternoon.

way through the first stage of the two-round vote. The second round will be held next Sunday in constituencies where no candidate wins more than half the vote.

Streets were unusually quiet and the atmosphere appeared calm, despite a bitter month-long campaign in which Democrats and Socialists accused each other of intimidation and violence. Communications remain primitive in Albania and it may take some time for all the results to reach Tirana. About 22 million Albanians are cligible to vote for 24 registered

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Indecision rules as Euro-worrier Major pins his colours to the mast

The Conservative Party "is finished. It's all over." The man delivering this stern obituary on Britain's governing party was a senior German diplomat and he was sitting on the beach at Cannes during last summer's European Union summit. He did not sound too distressed by the end of British Toryism.

WISTS WIN?

Chaos reigned at the time in the Conservative Party because John Major had put himself up for re-election as the party's leader only a few days before arriving on the Riviera. As we sat watching the yachts bobbing in the bay, I tried to explain to my



German acquaintance that our political parties rarely go under because their deep roots and Britain's voting system have created reliant institutions.

The Tory party, I told him.

is having a nervous break-down over Europe: such crises are serious, but not usually fatal. The man from Bonn was not convinced: he clung to the unspoken hope that the Tories might split and that the Euro-sceptics he hates might disappear down the plughole of history.

Some hope. The Prime Minister has plunged the EU into one of its phases when domestic politics dominate. For all the claims that we are now "ruled from Brussels", the EU system wholly depends on national governments and national political systems. In the hope of "repa-

influence, Mr Major will try to use the EU to strengthen his hand at home. Last week he basked in

compliments paid to his decisiveness. The Prime Minister, in the eyes of his backbenchers, may have finally got a grip, seized the time and pinned his colours to the mast. But he has made no decision of any importance affecting the EU's future. Indecision rules, as before.

A European fault-line runs not between the Tories and Labour but through both parties. But in the Cabinet a split has developed between the needs of national strategy and what short-term tactics

require. Mr Major's inability to reconcile the two gives Britain's European policy its fuzzy, volatile quality.

Tory tacticians such as Michael Howard, the Home Secretary, want to stage-manage a confrontation with the rest of the EU which allows the Government to talk tough without actually detonating an explosion that blows Britain out of the Union.

eneration of maximum resentment for Brussels and Germany is aimedat exploiting the feeling that Britain, in the words of Teddy Taylor MP, "is powerless to tell the

ters, officials, Opposition pol-iticians and think-tank gurus who grope for a workable British strategy in Europe ar not looking to tell the EU what to do because pursuing such an aim is about as useful as chasing moonbeams. They are engaged in the long, hard business of trying to increase British leverage in the EU system. "Our project is for the ears between 2000 and 2010," said one of the very few

Europe the other day. But over-the-horizon strategy goes out of the window at election time. Who, in either party, now wants to hear

Tory forward thinkers on

about "variable geometry" or to wait for the right opportu-nities to negotiate a more flexible EU?

ventually a moment will come when the EU, with or without a single currency, must reshape itself in order to welcome the states of Central Europe. That is bound to involve a "core" of common policies and rules linked to plenty of other optins and opt-outs. While Britain should float ideas along these lines, the Government need be in no hurry to decide anything too soon. The British bargaining position improves if Germany has to

open the bidding. Success, in other words, depends on a realistic objective, consistent ly pursued with patience which waits for opportunities. Alexis de Tocqueville. writing 160 years ago, understood the problem. A democracy, he wrote, "is unable to regulate the details of an important undertaking, to persevere in a design and to work out its execution in the presence of serious obstacles. cannot combine its measures with secrecy and it will not await their consequences with patience." Sounds a bit like Britain in 1996.

GEORGE BROCK

Clintons' desire for second child seen as election gambit

HILLARY CLINTON'S disclosure that she and President Clinton are talking about having another child, or adopting one, is bound to raise the hackles of their political oppo-

nents in an election year. However honourable their motives, the couple will be perceived as making a contrived pitch for family values and of trying to dispel the character issue that continues to dog the President over the pending sexual harassment lawsuit by Paula Jones.

Even by discussing a sibling for their daughter, Chelsea, 16, the Clintons are subliminally accentuating the age difference between themselves and Bob Dole, the Republican candidate for President. Mr Dole will be 73 in July and is entitled to consider himself long past parenthood. Mr Clinton turns 50 this year and Mrs Clinton will be 49, but rearing young children is not unknown among their fellow greving baby-boomers.

Mrs Clinton's thoughts on a return to motherhood appear in this week's Time magazine. The suspicion of a calculated ploy is reinforced by the w coinciding with next

ton to "Stand for Children", an event organised by Mrs Clinton's liberal friends from her days as legal counsel for the Children's Defence Fund.

Mrs Clinton laughed when asked if she really wanted to have a second child. She said: "I have to tell you I would be surprised but not disappointed. My friends would be appalled, I'm sure. But I think it would be terrific."

Asked about adoption, she said: "I must say we're hoping that we have another child." She and Mr Clinton had

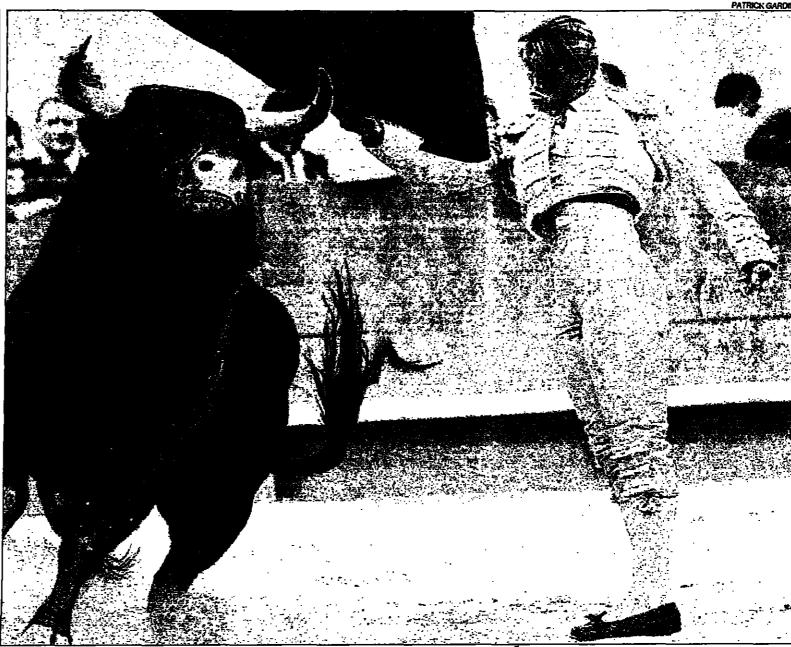
talked about adoption on and off for a long time and were talking more about it now. But she cautioned: "We'd obviously wait to get serious about it until after the election. There's too much going on in our lives right now. We'd have to think hard about it, especially if it were an older child, the pressures of the White House on a child like that."

Still, she hoped that something would come of it, because "giving a child a chance and sharing what you have with a child is one of the greatest gifts you can give yourself, as well as a child." She had worked hard, she

America, including those across racial lines as well as for the older and handicapped children. When the interviewer wondered if the Clintons would consider a cross-racial adoption, she said they had not gone into such detail.

In her new book about children, It Takes a Village, she reveals that she had difficulty conceiving after her marriage in 1975. The couple were planning to visit a fertility clinic after a holiday in 1979 when "lo and behold, I got pregnant during the vacation . I've often remarked to my husband that we might have had more children if we had taken more vacations".

During Mr Clinton's campaign four years ago. Mrs Clinton was pilloried by the Right for her long advocacy of children's rights. Republicans, by contrast, have been pushing for parental rights. She criticised them for proposing legislation that would enable parents to make decisions that would affect not their own child but other children as well. They should not pass laws that prevent parents from sending their children to sex education classes if they



Cristina Sanchez demonstrates her skill at the Nimes feria and, below, holds up the bull's ears she was awarded for delighting the crowd

Brother tells of bomber fears

FROM JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

THE brother of the suspected Unabomber yesterday descri-bed the reclusive Harvardtrained radical as "disturbed" and said he had turned him in to the authorities to stop

anyone else getting killed. In an interview with The New York Times, David Kaczynski said he was breaking his silence in the hope that he could save his brother, Ted, from a possible death penalty for the 18-year string of letter-bombs which have killed three people and injured 23 others.

"I think Ted has been a disturbed person for a long time and he's gotten more disturbed," he said. "It serves no one's interest to put him to death, and certainly it would be an incredible anguish for our family if that were to happen."

Ted Kaczynski, who dropped out after a promising career as a mathematician at the universities of Harvard and Berkeley, was arrested at his remote Montana cabin on April 3 on explosives charges. He has not been charged with any Unabomber crimes, but investigators say they have amassed a mountain of evidence against him, including the suspected master copy of the 35,000-word Unabomber

David Kaczynski said it was his wife, Linda Patrik, a college professor, who first

suggested light-heartedly that his older brother might be the Unabomber, even though she had never met him. "Hey, you've got this screwy brother," he recalled her saying.

"Maybe he's the guy."
When the Unabomber manifesto was published in September, the couple went to a local library to read a copy.
"My jaw dropped," David
Kaczynski said. "It continued to sound enough like him that I was really upset that it could

A social worker in a shelter for runaways in New York. David Kaczynski confessed he had never understood his brother. "He's quite a mystery

Acclaim for first woman matador

FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN MADRID

CRISTINA SANCHEZ has made history by becoming the first female matador in the annals of European

The rapt crowd at the bullring in Nimes, in southern France, rose to its feet on Saturday as Señorita Sánchez olunged her sword into Pocabarra, a nigh-brown bull weighing 2221b.

Pocabarra's death marked not only the graduation of Senorita Sanchez from novillero — the second division in Spanish tauromachy — to fully fledged matador, but also a likely doubling in her appearance fees for future bull-fights to nearly £33,000.

The grand bullring at Nimes, set in an ancient Roman amphitheatre, was a fitting venue for her alternativa, or formal investiture. Curro Romero, the veteran bullfighter, acted as her padrino, or godfather, offering Señorita Sánchez, 24, his sword and cape in a

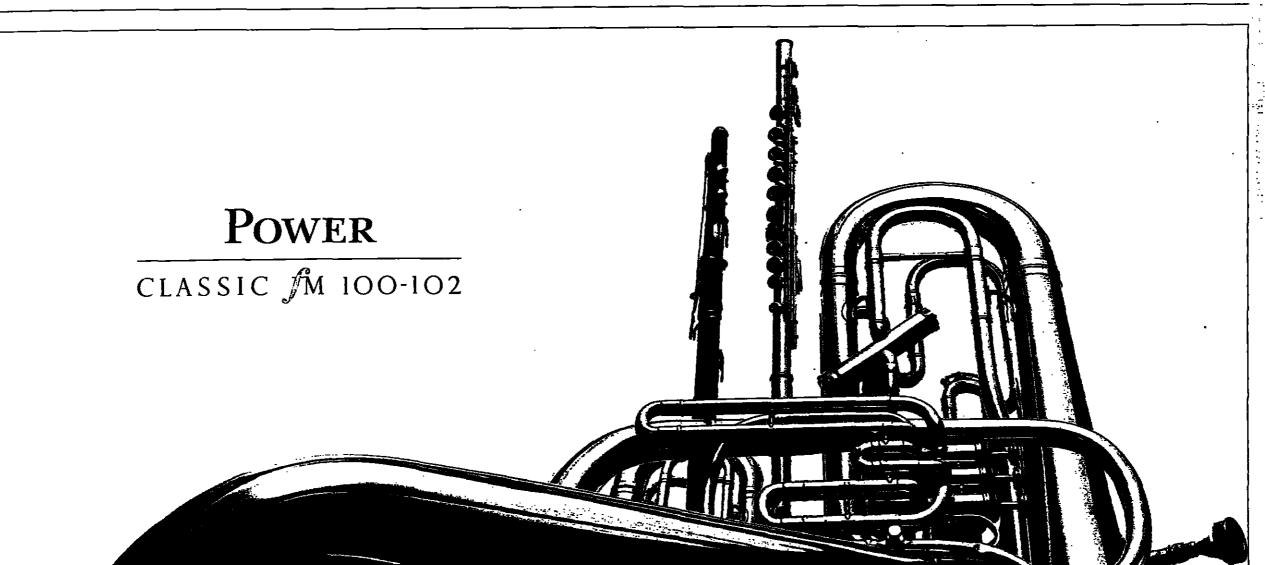
poignant opening ceremony.

Señor Romero said to her: "I am old, Cristina, and have acted in several alternativas, but no other has moved me as much as this one. Whatever happens in future, I want you to know that you have more merit than anyone." He added: "Women caress better than men, and as you are aware a bull

must be caressed." Señorita Sánchez then proceeded to "caress" the two bulls she faced, both older, heavier and more dangerous than any she had previously encoun-tered. As she fought, the band struck up a well-known paso doble, and spurred her to such heights that she was awarded two bulls ears by the presiding judge for the skill and ceremony with which she had dispatched the two beasts.

A glittering — and profitable career now awaits this young matador from Madrid. But although the macho world of builfighting has, on the whole, welcomed her presence in the bullring, there are some who still look askance at her. Jésulin de Ubrique, the young male star of Spanish bullfighting, has said he will never agree to appear in the ring with Senorita Sánchez.

Others suggest that her physical frailty could cause her problems in the first division. Joaquín Vidal, the bullfighting critic of El Pais and the country's most acute observer of the '' bullring and its art, has said that, while her technique is of a very high standard, she could be seriously handicapped in future, against the bigger and tougher bulls which a matador must eventually face, by her obvious - lack of strength.



ARTS THE WEEK **AHEAD**



TODAY'S CHOICE

A daily guide to arts

compiled by Gillian Maxey

Festival box office (0171-312 1996), for information and venues.

ABERDEEN: Michael Mackenzie

teaches and Emily Winter learns how to speek proper in Pygmalion. The publical for Hugh Hodger's production enters into the right spirit by calling itself the Woyal Loyceam Fesha Campenay. His Nejsety's Theatre, Rosemount Vades! Abertisen (1924, 641125)

Viaduct, Aberdeen (01224 641122).

BELFAST: Daragh Carville's new play, Language Reulette, produced by Yinderbox, and set during the Casseline when a party of old inends seize the chance of a "pound for pint" night to man over the pent.

Old Massaum Arts Centre, College Square North (01232 233332). Previ tonight, 8pm. Opens May 28, 8pm. Than Mon-Sat, 8pm. Until June 8.

Tonight-Sat, 7.30pm 🔕

ELSEWHERE

VISUAL ART

Shake it all about the Tate Gallery presents its latest rehang OPEN: Now REVIEW: Tomorrow



THEATRE

Paula Wilcox stars as The Comedy of Errors launches the Open Air Theatre season in Regent's Park FIRST NIGHT: Tomorrow **REVIEW: Thursday**



■ MUSIC

Dawn Upshaw, the soprano voice on a million Gorecki CDs, gives a Wigmore Hall recital CONCERT: Wednesday **REVIEW: Friday**



OPERA

Dublin's Opera Theatre Company brings Handel's Amadigi to St Clement -Danes in London OPENS: Wednesday **REVIEW:** Friday

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LONDON

FLUTEWISE: Flautists of every age and standard are invited to play at The Extremely Flutewise Event. Today's activities include a massed flute choir to play in, workshops, racitals, displays, masterclasses and a competition. Berblean, Sik Street, EC2 (0171-638 8891). Today, 10em-5.30pm. (5)

I FAGIOLINI: Robert Hollingworth directs the Early Music vocal group and Sophie Yates, virginals, in musterpieces by Byrd from the 1660s and 1590s. including Deus Vernerunt gentes and Vigitate (7 30pm). Earlier in the day (1 fam and 2pm, today and tomorrow). REM Theatre Australia and Cambridge New Music Players present The Kookaburra Witho Stole the Moorn, a manned in the fire strikens ment A lie. magical jolk tale for children, aged 4 to 7, told in dance and music. Purced Room, South Bank, EC1 (0171-960 4242).

MAGIC AND MAJESTY: This year, the BOC Covent Garden Feathers intervesives the themes of magic and majesty. The feathers get underway boday with an exciting selection of hee events in the Prazza, Covent Garden Market, from 1-5pm. Highlights over the met two weeks include the Lemer and Lower remember musical Camelot, which will run from June 5-8, and Handel's magical tale of love and sorcery, Amadig (May 29, 31, June 1).

Li THE ENDS OF THE EARTH:
Samantha Bond, Michael Sheen and
Tom Mannion in David Lan's puzzler,
set in the Bolkons and to do with
sacrifice, teadom and the like.
National (Cottesloe), South Bank, SEI
(0171-928 2252), Tonight, 7.30pm. In
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ial AN INSPECTOR CALLS: Stephen Dairly: powerful production, with David Ross as the all-knowing inspector, and Edward Peel and Estelle Kohler as the pilars of society. Gazriek, Charing Cross Road, WC2 (0171-494 5085). Mon-Fri, 7-45pm; Sat, 8.15pm; mats Wed, 2.30pm, Sal, 5pm.

E A LITTLE NIGHT MUSIC: Elegant An A LTITTLE WIGHT MUSIC: Elegant and successful production by Soan Mathias of Sondheim's Swedish charmor Judi Dench, Patricia Hodgo, Siah Philips and Lambert Wisson among the stats sharing in the night. National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (0171-928 2252) Tonight-Wed, 7.15pm; mat Wed 2pm. In rep. 5

CI PASSION: An unconvincing musical from Sondreim, but Maria Friedman romarkably good as a voracous manitumer who gets ber men With Michael Ball and Helen Hobson Queen's, Shafesbury Avenue, Will (1711-149 5590), Mon-Sat, 7.45pm, mats Wed and Set, 3pm.

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SECRETS & LIES (15); Mike Leigh's

Cornes triumph; an uneven but absorbing tale about family life, its

Brends Brethyn and Timothy Spall.

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Kermit and Miss Piggy invade Stevenson's classic Jolly addition to

NEW RELEASES

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country UNE FEMILE FRANCAISE (18) High-class toch, with Emmanuelle Beart and Daniel Auteuit treading 30 years of French Inclory. Director, Régis Wargner. Cozzon Mayfair (0171-369 1720)

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delightfully Suant production of Cinderess, with music by Tchalkovsky, Thosaire Royal, Senuclose (5) (01225 448844), Tonight-Wed, 7:30pm, Thurs-Set, Spirit mate Wed and Sat, 2:30pm. in York, Grand Theatre Opera House (01904 671 818), June 18-22.

BRADFORD: An hierious new show from the popular and bilented comedian Victoria Wood — as seen on stage.
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Barbican, SSk Street, EC2 (0171-638 8891). Tonight and tomorow, 7.15pm, rep with *Romeo and Juliet*. [5]

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Tom Hollander marvellously furny, and creepy, in Jonathan Kent's top-class production of Molère's tart cornedy on

Creegy, in Jordanian Near a sup-cass production of Molière's tart comedy on religious tollies. Atmetda, Atmetda St, N1 (0171-359 4404). Mon-Sal Born, mat Set 4pm, Uniti June 15. 6

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PR, Barbican, Silk Street, EC2 (0171-638 8891). Tonight and tomorrow, 7.15pm. In rep (5)

El SOME SUMMY DAY: Martin Sheman's stimulating new play, set in Cairo in 1942 where the Brits are reduced to stiff-lipped panic, wife-murder and other courses appropriate to changing one's life. Splendid cast, Hampeteed, Swiss Cottage Certin, NW3 (0171-722 9301). Mon-Sat, Apm. Until June 1.

IN SYLVIA: Strange, romantic cornedy by A.R. Gurney, with Robin Elis as a Wall Street trader, Maria Alfken as his wife and Zob Wanamaker, as the stray dog (Sylva) he finds in Central Park. Michael Stakemore directs. Michael Bakemore directs. Apollo, Shaftesbury Avenue, W1 (0171-494 5070), Mon-Fri Bpm; mat Thurs 3pm, Sat 5pm and 8 15pm.

IN THE TAMING OF THE SHREW Josie Lawrence and Michael Sibetry two of the few good thangs in this peculiar.

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◆ HACKERS (12): Teenage hackers uncover a corporate conspiracy. Fizzy fun from Backbear director lain Softley. **28 (0171-437 1234)**

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A return visit worth the effort

irst, why Salome? The Royal
Opera has mounted two new
productions over the past few years, a joint Welsh National-Scottish Opera version recently did the rounds, and English National Opera's own previous production seemed adequate four years ago. For heaven's sake, Strauss did write other operas: London has yet to see Daphne, Intermezzo or Friedenstag. But at a time when box-office considerations take precedence over a balanced repertoire, Salome does have certain advantages, even if it is a piece hard to take

entirely seriously. All of which having been said. ENO's new production is really rather good. The score is wonderfully conducted by Andrew Litton, and his painstaking rehearsals with the excellent orchestra must have been even more interesting than the final result. Pellucid textures based on especially refined string sound, woodwind damped-down yet always allowed to glitter, mean that no one on stage has to scream: the conversational nature of the piece is given full expression - and top marks all round for crisp diction. When the players are let off the leash in the interludes they raise the roof, and Litton delays and prolongs the famous discord at the end to shattering effect. His conducting is sensitive, witty,

There seem to be two ways in for a director: settle for bejewelled, soft-hued decadence (as Peter Hall did so memorably), or remember that Wilde also wrote The Soul of Man under Socialism and take it all Frightfully Earnestly. David Leveaux goes for the latter, or Luc Bondy option. Vicki Mortimer's set is dominated by a crumbling grey wall. Herod's court, Edwardian in period, is dressed in black. A group of bedraggled Naza-renes, periodically roughed up by the soldiery, watch the entire action with keen interest from the right. At the end

sensuous — just the job.

Salome

Coliseum

I expected them at least to raise a red flag, if not wheel on a tumbril, but no, they just fade away. So?

But Leveaux gets the important things right. The infamous Dance. choreographed by Wayne McGregor, is handled with supreme tact. Narraboth's suicide works, for once. The Baptist's head is a first-rate prop. and there's blood all over the place. His greatest triumph, though, achieved in collaboration with Alan Woodrow, is to make Herod convincing. He is not the usual slavering buffoon, but a really dangerous tyrant, beady-eyed, meantempered, randy, dead common - his wife's gibe about him being the son of a camel-driver rings true. Woodrow's magnificent performance comes near to dominating the evening, and I

haven't seen a Herod to touch him. He has plenty of competition from Sally Burgess's society hostess Herodias, kicking the train of her cocktail dress to devastating effect, and from Robert Hayward's splendidly dotty Baptist; the way the latter spits at Salome almost makes you feel he deserves what's coming to him. John Marsden (Narraboth). Ethna Robinson (Page) and Mark Richardson (an outstanding First Soldier) project the all-important opening scene with admirable clarity.

Kristine Ciesinski, an experienced Salome, sings the gentler passages with great beauty, and has found a way of handling the great outbursts without entirely convincing you that she is a natural for the role — which makes her performance doubly heroic. It works.

RODNEY MILNES



CECILIA BARTOLI made her only London appearance this season in front of a packed Wigmore Hall on Friday. Expectations ran high and were more than fulfilled: this throated beauty, and her easy control over lower passages vibrant young mezzo sang a generous programme coverwas particularly affecting in ing a wider repertory than in the soft pleading of Schubert's previous recitals, hinting at ways in which her carefully Vedi quanto adoro. Bartoli's relish of words

nurtured career may develop. She opened with a selection of the Italian songs by Beethoven and Schubert she has made her own, all of which she caught with direct, disarming simplicity. Her lustrous, dark-toned voice is even across a considerable range: high notes in Beethoven's Hoffnung had bright, free-

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Bartoli/ Hvorostovsky Wigmore Hall

with a selection from Rossini's La regata Veneziana in which Bartoli sparkled. The French songs gave

keenest Viardot's Havanaise allowed Bartoli to show off dazzling

delight. Pauline

ing, and Delibes' Les filles de Cadix disclosed both an earthiness and smile in the voice. She may make a great Carmen, but should not undertake it vet; in the meantime she could come to the rescue of French operetta.

coloratura after a sultry open-

It is harder to plot future roles for Dmitri Hvorostovsky, who has been hyped even more than Bartoli, CNN cameras intruded at the Wigmore Hall on Thursday into what seemed to me an ordinary recital by a very ordinary

kovsky songs were taken with slow self-indulgence, and no variety of tone. Mahler's Lieder eines fahrenden Gesellen drew forced singing at the too. But Hvorostovsky came into his own giving the premiere of Georgi Sviridov's Petersburg,

a moving cycle of nine Blok settings. The idiom is conservative but not derivative: indeed. Sviridov's achievement is a rare fusion of poetry and - music. A massive, tragic stillness pervades the piece and Hvorostovsky evoked it in long lines. The 80-year-old composer was greeted with a standing ovation.

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Venables looks on with the rest of the England bench as his players struggle yesterday, Sheringham, right, offering him little comfort after missing one of several chances. Photographs: Laurence Griffiths

England emerge unscathed from Hong Kong kickabout

Ferdinand spares blushes

Hong Kong Select XI 0 England XI1

FROM ANDREW LONGMORE
IN HONG KONG

THE Hong Kong Golden Select XI wore a fetching flamingo-coloured strip for their big day, but, by the end of a dismal afternoon in the national stadium here yesterday, the faces of the England football team had turned a brighter shade of pink. But for a goal by Les Ferdinand just before half-time and an inspired save by David Seaman just after, Hong Kong's ragbag of twilight professionals and callow locals would have reduced England to a far greater state of embarrassment in their final match before the European champ-

It was just as well for the England players that the coach, Terry Venables, rightly set little store by the venture. Had he done so, Dave Watson, aged 34 and hired for a £12,000 match fee to play for the Select XI, would be a serious case for inclusion in the final squad of 22 to be announced in the next two days. He was comfortably the best defender on show, though Les Ferdinand (in the first half). Alan Shearer (in the second) and Robbie Fowler (in the last 15 minutes) hardly gave the Everton defender a

run for his money.

The best striker was watching from the stand, George Weah, here to publicise AC Milan's match against Instant-Dict, a club side in Hong Kong, on June 7, and goodness

knows what the world footballer of the year made of England's three most prolific forwards. A total of 84 FA Carling Premiership goals between them last season and yet, for all bar the split-second when Ferdinand headed home Sheringham's slanted cross, tied up by a defensive pairing of Watson and Mike Duxbury, with a combined

age of 70.

For all his chipper response — a win is a win and all that — Venables must be concerned by the poor form of his main strikers. Shearer is looking more forlorn by the game, the bounce has left Ferdinand's stride and Fowler has left his shooting boots at Anfield. Venables would point out that the system he has developed makes the front man more of a provider than a goalscorer. but the fact that he has spent some time on this tour telling preclude the other suggests that the message has not quite been fully understood yet. Shearer is a willing sort, but scoring goals is his business and the lack of productivity is starting to irk him. There are only 12 days to go before the opening match in Euro 96

against Switzerland.

The one pleasing aspect of a yesterday's pointless exercise, such a contrast to a thrilling night in Peking, was that there were no further injuries. Steve Howey, not surprisingly, looked short of fitness in his first match for four months and was taken off with a sore calf after an hour. Even if that eases by this morning, it is doubtful whether Venables

can risk him, with Tony

Adams also returning from injury, much as he would like to have a more constructive centre-half in the confirmed absence of Mark Wright.

Gareth Southgate can cover in the centre and on the left of defence, where he plays for

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Aston Villa, but both Ugo Ehiogu and Sol Campbell, though restricted to cameos in the last two games, might be included in the squad along-side the versatile Neville brothers. Either way, flexibili-

ty is the key. England are equipped to play four or three at the back now in a way they were not on that chaotic night in Norway when Gary Pallister was picked by Graham Taylor as a third central defender to counter Jostein Flo. Even Adams, the archetypal 4-4-2 man, has expressed

his faith in the new way.

able one for Venables. He has already disappointed one member of this England squad (probably Robert Lee) by telling him he will not be needed for the European championship. Now he has to tell four more: maybe Howey, Jason Wilcox, Jamie Redknapp and Fowler. Fowler

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would be the most controversial omission, though his time will surely come. I would keep him as one of the shock troops, someone who could come on and turn or save a game, but, given that Nick Barmby's well-being as a back-up to Teddy Sheringham was confirmed by his two goals against China, the choice would be between him and Peter Beardsley, whose influence on the young players Venables covets highly. Besides, Beardsley has become Paul Gascoigne's designated minder on this tour.

In midfield, Paul Ince, David Platt, Gascoigne and Darren Anderton are certainties and Steve McManaman has shown just enough in his two games in the Far East to earn his place without yet reaching his Liverpool form. Wilcox might have timed his run just too late, while Steve Stone's uncomplicated, direct style and his ability to deliver telling crosses at pace is too valuable to lose.

valuable to lose.

The main question, an appalling one for anyone who witnessed England's woeful lack of invention yesterday, concerns Gascoigne's understudy. Redknapp is the obvious alternative, but has been unconvincing over the past two weeks. Dennis Wise is suspect temperamentally. Lee has never been the same since Kevin Keegan, his manager at Newcastle, called him the best midfield player in the country.

My mind goes back to the moment last year when Venables preferred Wise to Matthew Le Tissier. The decision caused much handwringing among aestheles,

but was proved plum right by the surprisingly inventive and predictably combative performance of his man. Wise can play wide and man-mark if necessary, which adds to his value. The only doubt about him is a groin injury picked up in training this week. He has not played in the Far East.

Pragmatism has always

been Venables's hallmark. His squad will be streetwise, adaptable, well-organised and tactically sound, qualities showed off handsomely in Peking — but the ease with which a makeshift team stifled England in Hong Kong did not augur so well. Perhaps it would be best to bring the mist, which obliterated the hills around the city all yesterday, down a few more yards to erase the whole game.

The England party fly home tonight and will have the rest of the week off before the 22-man squad reassembles at Bisham Abbey on Sunday to put the final touches to their preparation. Just a matter of tightening up, Venables says. "We will be ready by the time it comes round," he added. It has certainly been a long, slow, crescendo.

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Wet weekend means repeats reign supreme

f another person told me that if you can see the Pennines it is going to rain and if you can't it's raining already... I was going to get seriously annoyed. Charles Colvile had said it, Paul Allott had repeated it and here was the head groundsman at Old Trafford giving the old saw its third outing in 20 minutes: "Well, you know what they say..." he began. Suddenly Hong Kong against England on Sunday Grandstand

seemed an awfully good idea. But no, that way distraction lay and I had enough of those. The omnibus edition of The Archers had already cost me the first seven overs of the Indian innings. By the time Shula had finished with the loathsome Simon, Colvile was surveying a sea of multicoloured umbrellas. "Welcome back to Old Trafford," he

said wearily, "not a very nice

It was not. For what seemed like the umpteenth time over the weekend it was raining and for those of us watching BSkyB's drop-by-drop cover-age that raised the by-now familiar problem - keeping one's concentration. On Saturday mine had wobbled alarmingly. I watched The Chart Show on ITV; I watched a large chunk of Gone With The Wind on BBC2 and I spent the rest of the afternoon watching Bath against Wigan on Sky Sports 2. By the time I switched back to Headingly.

the game was almost over. Very obligingly Sky opted to fill yesterday's long rain delay at Old Trafford with highlights from the day before which is how I came to spend a surreal few seconds listening to a recording of Bob Willis



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cheerily announcing "I'm afraid it's raining here at Headingly again, while the drizzle continued "live" at Old Trafford. But at least I discovered that the second one day international had been every bit as exciting as the Clash of the Codes Part II at Twickenham. Wigan were running in tries from behind their own goal line and England had finally discovered how to field again. What did a little bit of

rain matter? Eventually, however, I succumbed. As the rain continued

and Sky were down to showing re-runs of Dominic Cork's Test match hat-trick, even a damp walk seemed an attractive proposition. By the time I got back something extraordinary had happened. Well, who would have thought it," exclaimed Colvile: "We're playing cricket again."

They continued to play cricket for an entire innings and if Saturday's action confirmed that England had rediscovered how to win again, yesterday's showed that India can still produce aggressive

and entertaining cricket. Sky's commentary team were duly grateful. Mark Nicholas and Paul Allott are probably the pick of the satellite channel's latest line-up, with Sunil Gavaskar sounding a very useful temporary recruit.

The Indian innings also seemed to revitalise Sky's camera operators. Whether it was something to do with the rain or the low temperature I don't know, but on Saturday some of the pictures seemed a little below the high standard that we have grown accustomed to from both Sky and BBCcricket

The replays of the run outs were exemplary (and in the case of Manjrekar crucial) but some of the other camerawork appeared to be suffering . from a little winter rust. We only just saw that Rathore's outside edge had carried to

Thorpe at first slip, while the replay of a disputed six was so blurred that umpire Kitchen. having consulted the third umpire, eventually signalled four. How quickly we have come accustomed to the idea that the third official is

infallible

But, by yesterday afternoon, such problems seemed behind us. Azharuddin was throwing the bat, the camera work was spot on and in the commentary box even Willis was sounding chipper. Convinced that summer had finally arrived I rashly went to prepare tea and cucumber sandwiches when the Indian innings closed. Ten minutes later I returned. "Welcome back," moaned Colvile, surveying a sea of umbrellas, not a very nice sight is it?" Suddenly the Indy 500 on Sky Sports 2 seemed an awfully good idea.

Monarchs need win to stay in contention

RESULTS continue to go the way of London Monarchs in the World League of American Football (Richard Wetherell writes). Not only do they need to win their four remaining games, starting this afternoon against Amsterdam Admirals, to reach the World Bowl, but they also require help elsewhere. They received it at the weekend, with Scottish-Claymores inflicting a 20-17 defeat on the Frankfurt Galaxy yesterday and Rhein Fire beating Barcelona Dragons 16-12 on Saturday.

It took a 46-yard field goal by Paul McCallum with one second remaining to secure victory for the Claymores, who secured a place in the World Bowl two weeks ago. Galaxy, who lost 27-7 to the Monarchs last week, are on a dangerous slide that they need to halt if they are to retain their title.

A Monarchs victory today would put them level with the Admirals and the Dragons, one victory behind the Galaxy. A loss means their season has effectively ended with three games remaining.

Rosset leads the way

TENNIS: Marc Rosset won his singles and doubles matches yesterday to lead Switzerland to a 2-1 victory over the Czech Republic in the final of the World Team Cup in Dusseldorf. Rosset combined with Jakob Hlasek to win the decisive doubles 6-3, 6-4 against Petr Korda and Daniel Vacek and thus give Switzerland the title for the first time. The Czech Republic took the lead when Korda beat Hlasek 6-3, 6-4 but Rosset levelled by beating Bohdan Ulihrach 7-6, 6-2.

Sicole Arendt, of the United States, and Manon Bollegraf, of Holland, beat Gigi Fernandez, of the United States, and Natasha Zvereva, of Belorussia, the No I seeds, in three sets

Arbi's cup of cheer

to win the women's doubles world cup in Edinburgh.

BADMINTON: Heryanto Arbi, right, the world champion, who was dropped from the team that beat South Korea 3-2 in the semi-finals, helped Indonesia to their tenth Thomas Cup success yesterday. His 15-8, 15-8 de-feat of Thomas Stuer-Lauridsen, of Denmark, was part of a a comprehensive 5-0 victory in the final as Indonesia retained what is the men's world team championship.



Laing in full bloom

GOLF: Alison Rose, the Curtis Cup player, suffered an unexpected one-hole defeat by Anne Laing, who was making her debut in the tournament, in the final of the Scottish women's amateur championship at Royal Domoch on Saturday. Rose, from Stirling, bunkered her approach shot at the short 2nd to fall one behind. She fell further adrift at the 7th, but won the 16th with a birdie, only to miss a putt of ten feet on the 18th to gift Laing, from Vale of Leven, the title.

Cipollini's close call

CYCLING: Mario Cipollini, the sprint specialist, nearly paid the price for over-confidence yesterday, doing just enough to win the 135-kilometre eighth stage of the Giro d'Italia from Polla to Naples. A metre or so from the line, Cipollini flung up his arms in triumph, despite the proximity of Fabrizio Guidi and Giovanni Lombardi, and was lucky to scrape home by a few centimetres. Davide Rebellin, Cipollini's Italian compatriot, retained the overall lead.

Benefit for Brito

RUGBY UNION: A Northampton invitation XV scored a 52-33 victory over a South African team in Accra, Ghana, at the weekend in a match to raise money for Max Brito, the Ivory Coast player paralysed by injury in the World Cup last year. Peter Mensah scored three tries and Will Greenwood, Richard Cockerill, Nick Beal, Dean Richards and Tim Rodber one each. Ruan Kruger (2) and Danie Gerber were among try-scorers for the Naas Botha Invitation XV.

Doohan strikes four

MOTOR CYCLING: Michael Doohan, right, the world 500cc champion, won the Italian Grand Prix yesterday to secure his fourth consecutive victory at the Mugello track. Doohan, from Australia, led at the start, but battled wheel-to-wheel with Alex Criville, from Spain, for much of the 23-lap race in the Tuscan hills and took the chequered flag in 44min 4.252sec, 0.726sec clear of his Honda team-mate.



Hunter gathers prize

RIFLE SHOOTING: Alex Hunter, of North London Rifle Club, on his first Channel Islands tour with the National Rifle Association (NRA) team, won the President's Prize in Guernsey yesterday after a close finish in which three of the visiting team scored 99 out of 100 for ten shots at 300 and 600 yards. Hunter had 15 shots in the dead centre of the bullseye against 12 by Les Wicker, of Sussex, the runner-up. The NRA team beat Guernsey by 19 points at 300, 500 and 600 yards.

Proctor ruled out

RUGBY UNION: Wayne Proctor will miss the opening game of Wales's tour of Australia after breaking his nose in a training session yesterday. Proctor will miss the match against Western Australia on Wednesday and, according to Roger Evans, the team physician, could be unavailable for a fortnight. Crispin Cormack, the young Pontypridd player, who only made the squad after the late withdrawal of Justin Thomas, will replace Proctor at full back.

Faldo loses ground on leaders in race for Volvo PGA Championship

False start proves no handicap for Rocca

IT'S not how you begin at golf, it's what your total is at the finish, as Costantino Rocca, the Italian with the rumpled face and engaging manner.

will gladly testify Rocca, joint-leader after 54 holes of the Volvo PGA Championship at Wentworth, hit a real hacker's drive on the first hole yesterday. His ball veered sharply left into trees behind the first tee of the East course. It was a hook to end all

There were a few grunts of dismay and for a while Rocca was angry, his anger rumbling on as he took a six on this par four hole. But then he birdied the 2nd and slowly the dark clouds dissipated, their departure speeded by the fact that he began to play beautifully.

Rocca had a 69, his third score in the 60s in this championship, and shares the lead with Mark McNulty who, as it happens, not only made a

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hash of his opening drive but also his second shot as well. Such a poor start had no more effect on McNulty than it had on Rocca. Like the Italian. McNulty had a 69 and like Rocca it was his third sub-70 round of the tournament. McNulty is an accurate hitter and a good putter but yestergreens that underpinned his round. "I was greatly indebted to my putter," he said. "I can

go and have a good dinner now." Putting was the story of the day. Paul Lawrie who lies third, only a stroke behind, had a lesson from David Leadbetter on Friday and that was largely the reason for his 68, which did not contain a bogey. "David opened me up a bit at the address," the Scot who won the rain-shortened Open de Catalonia in March, said. "I have rolled it well ever since. I feel sharp. Now my putting is sorted out I am not scared of anyone."

Nick Faldo would probably like to have a lesson from Leadbetter, his coach, but Leadbetter left London for

Friday evening. Faldo is not swinging well and that is increasing the pressure on his putting. After yesterday's 72, he is three strokes adrift of the

Few golfers hit the ball as straight as Colin Mont-gomerie, who would have us believe he does not putt well often enough. After his 69 he said he had not performed consistently well on the greens since before last year's US PGA, which he lost in a play-

This contention needs to be taken with a pinch of salt because it is all relative. In the main, his putting is very good, but on occasions it does not match the level of his play from tee to green. If it did, then he would go round in 67 most

Every so often, however, Montgomerie does stumble. as when he dropped a shot on the third hole for the third day on the 6th and took three putts on the 14th, the second putt missing the hole from less than three feet. This gave him the opportunity to climb on to his hobby horse, despite his blazing finish of three successive birdies.

In the US earlier this year Montgomerie talked enviously of how well the Americans hole out. They bang them in and that is what I am not doing," Montgomerie said. "I have to learn how to bang them in. That's what I've got to do with my putts - bang them

At the risk of encouraging Montgomerie to bang on about his putting, he was asked what was wrong at present. "I am playing well enough to win but I am not holing out well enough to win," he replied. "I putted well in Dubai [in March] but since then I have not done so. I am not misreading the putts, I am mis-hitting them. If I was misreading them that would be easy. This has gone on too long. I need concentration and

practice." Montgomerie, who hardly ever practises, thought he would subject himself to a routine he used to use - that of holing 100 putts in succession. If he missed the 99th he had to start again. In addition, he vowed that today he would go for everything in a bid to make up the distance between him and the leaders. He would use a driver on the 6th and the l6th, for example, and hope to be rewarded. "I have to score something silly," he said, "but I am capable of that. I have won from four behind so there is no reason why I cannot win from five behind."



Rocca follows the flight of his ball after driving from the eighth tee during yesterday's round of 69

Ruling fairways with iron resolve t has not been an easy

week for the men in rainsuits and buggies at Wentworth. They have had to pronounce upon a ball in a tree, balls in sundry water hazards and finally, on Saturday, on a ball that came to rest on a plastic bag. They have sailed serenely through every challenge - it has been all in a day's work for the tournament referees of the PGA European Tour.

The qualities needed to be a rules official on the great professional golf tours of the world are manifold. He needs, first and foremost, to have an encyclopaedic knowledge of the most arcane rules of the game, and know, furthermore, how to apply them. He should have the tact of an ombudsman, the sympathy of a father confessor and the grim determination that wrong will be punished of an

old-time vigilante. They will claim that they are rarely shaken and never stirred. Pressure? Certainly not, they will say - there is always the rule book. True, but when you do not even make your living out of golf and you are faced by one of Mel Webb discovers the many qualities needed by a tournament golf referee

the iron men of the game who is openly doubting your decision, that is pressure, with Imagine, then, the feelings

of Thomas Waldenstedt when he was confronted by Nick Faido after the great man's ball had come to rest on a carrier bag to the left of the 17th fairway on Saturday. He made his judgment, Faldo



was unhappy and made sure

that he would be granted an audience with John Paramor

the player.

Paramor: determined

pace of play. "I'm given a job to do by my tournament committee and I'll try to do it for them." Paramor said. "I certainly won't back away from a challenge."

when he finished his round. Paramor, the tour's chief referee and director of tour operations, confirmed that Waldenstedt's decision had saved Faldo from a two-stroke penalty. Waldenstedt had made a small mistake, he said, and so had Faldo, but the result was a good one for

Paramor and his rules staff of 14 — many more than is usual in a regular PGA European Tour event - were back on duty yesterday, and they were rewarded with a quiet day in the acres of green that

form their office. That does not mean, however, that for Paramor it was a day totally without incident. An afternoon spent with him was something of an education, and much of it was concerned with time (too much of it) and space (ditto). Paramor and his men are

concerned about a lady in tartan trews who was being repeatedly ignored by buses at car park six and the fact that the toilets by the 14th hole were blocked, was marshalling the stopwatch army.

What it involved on this

day, as well as happily giving

swift teach-ins on the rules to

members of the public, getting

Match 23, for example, exercised the troops for a while before Greg Turner and Andrew Oldcorn were let off the hook, then match 32, featuring Fabrice Tarnaud and Niclas Fasth, was put on the clock. They did not like it but

Paramor, who in these matters has all the warm-hearted glass running. Two holes later, Tarnaud and Fasth had made up four minutes on the group ahead of them and the chronograph was turned off. Lesson learnt the hanging rightly concerned with the judge had struck again.

sympathy of a Judge Jeffreys kept the sand in the hour-

Hockley gives Educate lesson in swing

By JOHN HENNESSY

THE trophy for the English women's golf championship returned to the Felixstowe Ferry club on Saturday, but under different ownership, Julie Hall, the win-ner in 1994 and 1995, has been succeeded

by her club colleague, Joanne Hockley. Having overcome Hall in the third round at Silloth-on-Solway, Hockley recorded a comfortable win, by 4 and 3, over another member of the Curtis Cup

team, Lisa Educate. The Ladies' Golf Union opted to picke the team to face the United States, at Killarney in 3½ weeks, before the home countries' individual championships. Otherwise, Hockley's name would surely

have figured prominently in their deliberations. In 1992, aged 19, she was runnerup in this championship and the winner of the British strokeplay title. She has been in the shadows more recently but, with a new coach, a new set of irons and a new attitude, she has again become a

formidable force. It was the manner of her victory on Saturday that was so impressive. Aside from an untidy six at the 8th, where her second into a bunker was compounded by three putts, she was four under par for the

holes played. While Educate, with her elaborate swing, was fighting to cure a fade in a strong wind. Hockley made the game look easy, without a flourish in her

method and hitting against a strongly-braced left side. That fade cost Educate the first three holes. She got one back at the 6th, where Hockley missed a second putt from eight feet, and another at the

Now came the key part of the match. Her lead reduced to one, Hockley responded with a two at the 9th. When Educate claimed the 10th with a birdie three, her relief was again short-lived, for Hockley then won three in a row, highlighted by a glorious four-iron to 18 inches at the 185-yard 12th. Even birdies at the last two holes played could not save Educate, Hockley holing a 25-foot putt from off the 14th green and matching her opponent blow for blow on the 15th.

Burgers relish repeat in senior modern BY RUTH GLEDHILL

COUPLES from Britain took the top placings in the rising stars Latin competi-tion at the 71st British Open ballroom dancing championships, the foremost festival in the calendar, at Blackpool over the weekend. However, the first important titles of the week-long championships, the senior modern and the under-21 Latin, were won by competitors from Germany and Slovenia.

Striking movement, poise and balance saw the winners last year, Hans-Jürgen and Ulrike Burger, of Germany, take first place again in the senior championship, for couples aged over 35. The Burgers, at the younger end of the age range, gained first placings in all four dances to win couples faced seven rounds over hours to easily from their compatriots, Bernd and Monika Kiefer.

After the championship, in which 278 couples battled it out over the four modern dances of waltz, foxtrot, tango and quickstep. Chris and Ann Freeman, from Chorley, who finished fourth, announced their decision to turn professional. This leaves the way open for Peter and Lynda Mitchinson, the British No 2 couple, who were sixth in the British

Open, to assume their mantle. The ballroom was packed to capacity for the under-21 Latin championship on Saturday, when 220 couples took to the floor in ten heats, before being whittled down to six finalists. The successful

make the final six. Only the invitation professional team match, won easily by Britain, with Scandinavia second, Japan third and the United States fourth,

Despite the large field, Matej Krajcer and Janja Lesar, of Slovenia, and Mark Robertson and Lisa Palmer, of Scotland, stood out from the start. Displaying great stamina through to the early hours of yesterday morning, while losing none of their sparkle in the cha-cha, samba, rumba. paso doble and five, the Slovenian couple, who had in the past 12 months won the world but lost the international championships, took the silver trophy and first prize of £115.

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Gough's accuracy helps to restrict Indian total but early loss of Atherton impedes run-chase

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England are repaid for commitment to overtime

CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

OLD TRAFFORD (India won the toss): England, with nine wickets in hand, need 235 runs in 49 overs to beat India

THE Texaco Trophy has been a grimly unsatisfactory event, stretching over five damp days rather than its intended three, but England will consider it overtime well spent if they can successfully chase a target of 237 at Old Trafford today and complete a 2-0 win over India.

They must do so without the stabilising influence of their captain, Michael Atherton, snared leg-before by Javagal Srinath in the one over England were permitted before rain closed in on Manchester once more. Given reasonable conditions today, however, the pursuit should not be beyond

Simply to break the losing habit, as they did at Headingley on Saturday, made this frustrating battle against the weather worth-while for an England side exhibiting refreshing enthusiasm and vitality. They had lost their previous nine internationals against Test-playing opposition and the relief of a win was tangible.

Yesterday, on a better pitch than was seen in Leeds but in comparably gloomy weather, England will have been happy to restrict India to 236 for four from 50 overs. That the touring side made this many, after the first half of the innings had yielded only 77, owed a great deal to their captain, Mohammed Azharuddin, who played fluently for the second successive dav.

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Azharuddin and the manager, Sandeep Patil, had reacted sharply to the Indians' fragile batting in the first two games. Sidhu and Manirekar, with 179 one-day appearances between them, were dropped to make way for Ganguly and Dravid, who boasted an aggregate of five. Mhambrey, the most vulnerable of their seam bowlers, was also omitted, to accomodate a second spin bowler, Raju.

Within such tinkering, however, the Indians' dependence

clear and it has not been a profitable series for him. His dismissal on Thursday, to a rank leg-before decision, was hardly his fault, but he was complicit in his own run out on Saturday and, yesterday, he had made only one when Dominic Cork found the outside edge. Hick, at second slip,

did the rest. blunt India's expectations and, with the help of a three-hour break for rain, England contained them capably. Cork always looked dangerous, even if his line was variable but the best of the bowling came from Darren Gough, who kept a full length and dipped the ball late into the ght-handers. When he swings the ball at

will like this, Gough is a handful and England need him to sustain the mood. He did not try to bowl genuinely fast here but impressed sufficiently to suggest he might regain the Test place he lost so disappointingly after the Johannesburg game last Dec-

Rathore and Ganguly put on 92 for the second wicket and, although they occupied 25 overs, it was an important stand, a confirmation of life after Tendulkar. There came a point, how-

ever, when acceleration was essential and Rathore recognised it, charging down the pitch against Martin before losing his wicket to Thorpe a bowler unconsidered by everyone except, it seems, Atherton. His looping seamers were summoned for the thirtieth over and his fourth ball had Rathore caught at long-on. Bowler and captain reacted with justifiable delight, which was enhanced four overs later when Thorne dismissed Ganguly, too, this time with the aid of a neat legside stumping by Stewart.
There is no suggestion that

Stewart will usurp Russell in Test side, but his wicketkeeping has been exemplary within the needs of oneday cricket. He featured in the fourth Indian wicket, too, diving spectacularly to his right to catch Jadeia off Cork, then



Stewart, a revitalised force behind the stumps for England, celebrates the stumping of Ganguly off the bowling of Thorpe, his Surrey team-mate

hurling the ball skywards and catching it a second time, behind his back.

This was symptomatic of the new jauntiness in England's out-cricket and it can only reflect well upon David Lloyd. the coach. Even Atherton, who can be protractedly lugubrious in the field, is wearing a smile that seems utterly unforced. It is a good sign.

Azharuddin gave the Indian total some late momentum with two sixes in an over from Neil Smith and his unbeaten 73 was made from only 64 balls. His opposite number is not in such good form, despite his sunny profile, and Atherton's second-ball dismissal for nought left him with only 20 runs from the three-game series.

The decision was given by the hugely-experienced David Constant, for whom this is a first international since he voluntarily stood down from the panel in 1990. Constant and Allan Jones, by contrast standing in his maiden international, had no choice but to take the teams off as the rain intensified and, despite regular attempts to restart, even in drizzle, they eventually had to concede to the safety-net of another reserve day.

Winning ways reflect new purpose

SIMON

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At Old Trafford

uring a break for rain at Old Trafford yesterday, the England players did an unusual thine. They held up to the crowd, through the window of the home dressing-room, a large card bearing the word "WIN"

This was unusual not only because England winning a cricket match - as they did at Headingley on Saturday - is an occasion worthy of a national holiday but because it revealed previously hidden levels of self-esteem among the players. They were actual ly proud of themselves.

Could this England Texaco Trophy party really contain eight players who went to South Africa and the World Cup, when the only thing seen at the visitors' dressing-room window were drawn curtains and the word "win" made only as many appearances in their vocabulary as "buffoon". Could this team, that field-ed so enthusiastically and excellently in the past four days, really be led by the man

became the scourge of the Pakistan Union of Journalists? Yet there was Michael Atherton, fielding under the helmet at boot-hill on Saturday and seemingly enjoying it, and yesterday following a whim and giving Thorpe a

rare and - as it proved incisive bowl. Much of the credit for this transformation must go to David Lloyd, the new England coach, whose idea it is to have large motivational cards in the dressing room bearing words like "win" and "pride". He has seemingly restored an all-important sense of humour and possesses the sort of passion that has sometimes appeared to be missing from

the England camp. But England's improved demeanour may be due to

and less encouraging for their long-term recovery: playing at home. The contrast between their records home and away

While they have given every country except Australia at least a close light at home in recent years, overseas they lose regularly and sometimes abjectly. It is a phenomenon that troubles and baffles Ath-

Probably the only team worse at playing abroad is India, which could - conveniently — also play its part in England's renaissance this summer. In the past ten years they have had about as many opportunities as England to show off a card with the word "win" on it. And the reasons are much the same the unfamiliarity of the playing condieverything outside the cricket grounds - and not being good enough. They have had problems ad-

justing in England this time, although the Old Trafford pitch was friendly enough that the likes of Rathore and Ganguly could get onto the front foot and enjoy themselves for the first time in the

Of course, there have been better times than this for eating food in England, although for religious reasons Indians have never been keen on eating beef. Locating favourite dishes presents constant difficulties and Ali Irani, the Indian team's physiotherapist, has turned his hand to cooking on this trip.

Mohammad Azharuddin, the India captain and the only Muslim in the team, is fastidious about eating only Halal meat and, as his contentment is a key element in the hopes of his side, it is important he finds the dishes he wants. Judging by the way

feasted on the bowling of Neil Smith yesterday, though, he

Score after 15 overs: 38-1, N R Mongla, A Kumble, J Srinath, B K V; Prasad and S L V Raju did not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-11 (Rathore 9 2-103 (Genguly 41), 3-118 (Azharuddi 9), 4-190 (Azharuddin 50).

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BOWLING: Cork 10-3-35-2 (4 tours, 7: 5-12-1, 30-62-1); Lewis 10-1-49-0 (w 3, 1 six, 2 fours; 6-1-18-0, 2-0-13-0, 2-0-18-0, 2-0-13-0, 2-0-14-0); Martin, 10-0-18-0, 2-0-13-0, 2-0-14-0); Martin, 10-0-15-0); Smith 8-0-39-0 (2 sixes, 1 four, 3-0-18-0, 3-0-21-0), Thorpe 4-0-15-2 (w 1; 1 four; one speil)

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FALL OF WICKET: 1-2 (Brown 1). BOWLING: Stineth 1-0-1-1. Umpires: D J Constant and A A Jone Reserve umpire: A G T Whitehead. Referee: C W Smith (West Indies).

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(56min, 41 balls, 2 burs)
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**M Azharuddin c Brown b Martin (82min, 88 balls, 1 six, 2 fours) S V Manjrekar run out (Maynerd/Cork) (47min, 33 balls, 1 four) A D Jadeja c Martin b Cork (37min, 27 balls, 3 fours) †N R Mongla c Atherton b Cork (22min, 13 balls, 1 four) A Kumble c Stevent b Martin (6min, 2 balls, 7 four) J Srinath c Cork b Gough (8min, 4 balls, 7 four) PL Minembrey not out (9min, 5 balls, 1 four)

(9min, 5 balls, 1 tour) BKV Prasacic Stewart b

Total (40.2 overs, 174min) ... FALL OF WICKETS: 1-16 (Pathore 7), 2-17 (Sichu 0), 3-58 (Azheruddin 19), 4-94 (Manireter 15), 5-113 (Jackeja 10), 8-145 (Jackeja 33), 7-145 (Mumbie 0), 8-149 (Srineth 4), 9-155 (Mambrey 5).

BOWLING: Cork 9-1-46-3 (w 2; 5 fours; 6-1-24-1, 2-0-15-0, 1-0-7-2); Lewis 9-1-30-0 (w 1; 4 fours; 6-1-13-0, 3-0-17-0);

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(3min, 1 bell)
G P Thorpe not out
(161min, 118 bells, 10 fours)
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4-7-1, 1-0-6-0, 1-0-5-0): Prasad 9-2-33-2 (5 fours: 7-2-20-2, 2-0-13-0); Kumble 9-0-38-0 (w 4: 3 fours: 3-0-16-0, 2-0-6-0, 9-0-38-0 (w.); 3-0-18-0, 2-0-8-0, 4-0-14-0); Mihambrey 6-0-28-0 (nb.); 3 fours; 4-0-17-0, 2-0-12-0); Tendulkar 3-0-15-0 (w.); 3 fours; 2-0-15-0, 1-07-0); Manjrakar 0.3-0-4-0 (1 four; one speal).

England won by six wickets. Match award: G P Thorpe (Adjudicator: S M Gavaskar). Umpires: M J Kitchen and A G T Whitehead

Reserve umpire: D J Constant Referee: C W Smith (West Indies).

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Illingworth prepares for battle to defend his corner

who was labelled Captain

Grumpy in South Africa and

HEADINGLEY (England won toss): England beat India

COMPRESSED by rain and deficient in runs, this was an undistinguished international played on an unsuitable pitch and it failed to retain the attention of either the crowd or the embattled chairman of England's selectors.

Out on the western terrace at Headingley, men with painted faces danced the conga_ Raymond Illingworth did not feel like dancing and his face was masked not with paint but with a rising indignation that promises to extend and expand the political sideshow that has upstaged a watery week of cricket.

Illingworth's future is clouded. There is nothing new in his intention to stand down at the end of the season, for this was mutually agreed with

momentum gathering against him may yet bring him down sooner, for all his native inclination to fight.

A mere mention of the names Malcolm or Botham in Illingworth's presence guarantees a vitriolic monologue and the chairman's heightening awareness of the campaign in the shires to hasten his departure is merely adding to his militant mood.

The upshot is that, while his England team took a 1-0 lead in the Texaco Trophy series with an ultimately convincing win over India, Illingworth was telling anyone who cared to listen that he was not lightly going to be hounded out of office over the publication of a book that might kindly be called indiscreet. A disciplin-

ary hearing seems imminent. Illingworth has never been one to admit that he got things wrong, so the fact that he now concedes that it would have the Test and County Cricket been preferable if he had

publish his book amounts to an unusual admission. But he remains intent on defending his rights both to publish and to express the views within the book, which he maintains are fair and constructive.

The gathering clan of mal-contents who see this situation as an opportunity to oust him have sharpened his antennae and his conversation now has a persecuted air. "I'm fed up with a lot of what has hap-pened and if it comes to a showdown, so be it," he said.

Illingworth claims he has not yet received a writ from Ian Botham, who is threatening to sue him over remarks made in a newspaper interview, but this is another battle he is unwilling to concede with an apology and conciliation. The chairman is fighting mad and, while it seems sure to provide soap opera entertainment during the coming weeks, its effect on his team can hardly be beneficial.

Wisely, in his distracted state, Illingworth appears to be leaving the matchday mechanics to his coach and captain. They coped well again on Saturday, after Atherton had won an important toss and, but for the foul weather at the Oval, they would have secured the trophy before crossing the Pennines

for the final game. India have looked a limited team so far. Traditionally poor travellers, they have not helped themselves by picking an unbalanced attack, topheavy with spin bowling, and they are plainly finding one of the coldest Mays for 250 years conspiring against them. We shall see them at their best

only in a hot June. Their batting on Saturday lacked wit and conviction and, later, they spurned a chance to overturn mid-match odds of 8l on England with fielding that fell way below the impressive standards of the home team. Srinath and Prasad had

bowling penetratingly with the new ball, but the support bowlers could not sustain the pressure and Graham Thorpe's assured 79 not out secured the victory with 15 balls to spare.

The game was shortened to 45 and then 42 overs per side by morning rain and India, obliged to bat first on a greentinged pitch offering excessive sideways movement, were never out of second gear. Tendulkar's run out, accurately executed by Ealham from mid-on, was the first of three in the Indian innings. There were some splendid catches, too, and a solitary miss, by Thorpe off the deserving Gough, stood out; in recent

England fielding it would have been commonplace. India lost their last five wickets for 13, batting with such carelessness that they failed even to see out their overs. As England came off, the coach, David Lloyd, stood

for all. Soon, however, he was fretting again as his team subsided to 23 for three, a plight that would have been far worse if both Atherton and Thorpe had not been reprieved in a single over from

Thorpe made the Indians pay. His cover-driving was classical and precise, his defence sure, and, when joined by his county captain, Stewart, for the fifth wicket, batting began to look comfortable for the first time in the day.



Illingworth: indignant

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Traditionalists witness a race to forget christened in honour of his father. promise of mayhem induced by the FROM OLIVER HOLT IN INDIANAPOLIS Racin builds houses in his spare time.

THE INDIANAPOLIS 500 started life as an anti-race here yesterday. The spectators still came in their hundreds of thousands and ensured it remained the biggest single-day sporting event in the world but what they saw was a gaudy game show, not a white-knuckle drama. They came, in short, because they always come.

They came for Saturday's parade through the streets of the city, to gaze on Gasoline Alley, to sit outside, or on top of, their camper vans in deck chairs sucking down beer after beer. They came to do what they always do here on Memorial Day Weekend, lured by the siren song of tradition.

They were guinea pigs in an unsavoury experiment that masqueraded as an attempt to return American motor racing to its roots and give American boys a chance at the big time. All it really was was a cheap shot at establishing a sporting event as bigger than all of the sport's leading protagonists, taking no account of

talent as a pre-requisite for entry. Some of the spectators may even have been enticed to the circuit by the

presence of so many inexperienced drivers. Even that did not materialise and all they got, in the first half of the 200 laps around the 2.5 mile oval, was a comedy of basic errors.

It started when the drivers responded to the instruction "Gentlemen, start your engines" and were then promotiv told to turn them off. When the race started, it was interrupted constantly by cars spinning at the exit of the pitlane, spinning on the track even when the cars were under the yellow caution flag. Almost a third of the first 100 laos were run under the yellow flag while the minor accidents were cleared from the track. After 150 laps, Roberto

Guerrero was the leader. But it was the internal squabble between two strands of American motor sport that turned yesterday's race into a sort of twisted fairy story, a chance for this succession of racing nohopers to weave amongst each other at speeds of more than 230mph in front of a crowd of 350,000. Some had never driven an IndyCar; others had creden-

tials even less reliable. Meet Racin Gardner, from Las Vegas. Slick Racin is his real name,

Last year, he tested a car called the "Green Monster" for a land speed record. Earlier this year, he attended the Buck Baker Driving School. He spent most of yesterday's race in last place. More than half the field of 33 had never raced here before.

In contrast, none of the star drivers those family names have become part of American culture, drivers like Al Unser jr and Michael Andretti, and new heroes like Paul Tracy and Jimmy Vasser, took part here. They were in Brooklyn, Michigan, taking part in the inaugural US 500, set up as a protest against qualifying restrictions imposed for this race by Tony George, the President of the Indianapolis Motor Speedway. That race, too, was dogged by mediocrity when 12 of the 26 cars were taken out of the race before it had even started when Vasser spun on the

parade lap. George has created a breakaway IndyCar organisation, the Indy Racing League (IRL), with the Indy 500 at its heart. It is supposed to be an attempt to take IndyCar back to its oval racing roots and give young American drivers

talents, though, have stayed in the opposing series, run by the Championship Auto Racing Teams (CART), and the IRL has been left with the flotsam and jetsam.

ABC still televised the race live yesterday and polls suggested it would

attract more viewers than the US 500, which started two hours later and was broadcast by ESPN. Those who tuned in to the Indy 500 expecting the usual fare, though, got a rude shock. One of the only experienced drivers, Scott Brayton, was killed in practice here ten days ago, the 40th driver to lose his life at the Speedway. So the 80th Indy 500 was a sad parody of itself

before it had even started. Outside the

gates, ticket touts were left clutching

thick wads of tickets that usually sell for more than \$1,000, unable even to give them away. In the short term, the Indianapolis 500 will survive, partly because it is an American institution, partly because it is not necessary to have the best drivers in the world to have an entertaining race. If the feud continues, though, George may discover that even institu-

tions can fall into decay, fade and die.

By Ivo Tennant

SRI LANKA, the World Cup holders, who are to participate in an exhibition match at Norman Park, Bromley, Kent today and take on an International XI at Bristol on Friday, have appealed to the Prime Minister in their attempts to play a full Test series in England. The Test and County Cricket Board (TCCB) has granted them just one match in 1998 with the possibility of another after 2002

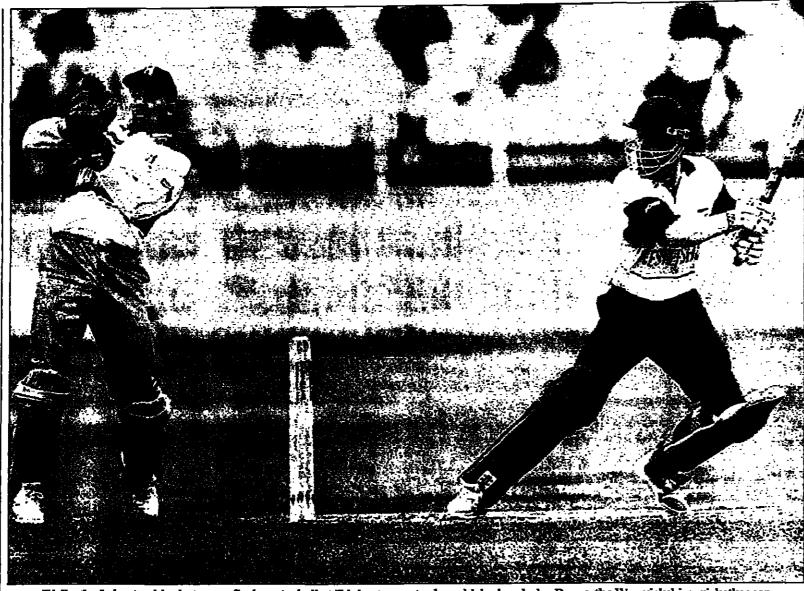
In spite of winning the World Cup. Sri Lanka are likely to play no more than one Test this year. Upali Dharmadasa, president of the Board of Control, met officials from Australia recentiv in a vain attempt to persuade them that their tour in August should incorporate two Tests as well as one-day matches. Now he is to lobby the International Cricket Council. claiming that each Test-playing country should play the same number of matches per

year.
"We are negotiating with other countries to tour Sri Lanka for a Test series this August," Dharmadasa said. Tryphon Mirando, the Board's secretary, admitted that winning the World Cup had not helped them to orga-nise Test matches. "All the other nations have set up their schedules many years in advance," he said.

They are aware that they cannot lobby the TCCB any further and that their chances of playing more Test matches in England in 1998 are dependent on South Africa agreeing to come for a shorter tour than is scheduled. This would seem to be unlikely.

Sri Lanka will, however, be playing two Tests in West Indies next April and will also host a series against India

Their party in England have yet to hear whether John Major will be able to come to either of their matches this week, which are in aid of charity. More than 100 MPs have signed an all-party motion calling for Alan Smith, the chief executive of the TCCB, to try to change Engiand's schedule over the coming years.



Wells, the Leicestershire batsman, flashes at a ball at Edgbaston yesterday which also eludes Burns, the Warwickshire wicketkeeper

Mullally in irresistible form

By Ivo Tennant

AXA Equity & Law League is that matches can be played which would be aborted or simply not started if they were deemed first-class. It rained all around the country yesterday, yet there were still concluded contests — of sorts — at Edgbaston, Taunton, Gloucester and Canterbury. No matter that one was decided on a better run rate and another was little other than a late afternoon slog.

At Gloucester, there was sufficient cricket, 15 overs a side, for Surrey to beat Gloucestershire by 72 runs. Darren Bicknell made the most important contribution, a half-century. At Edgbaston, another revised match resulted in Leicestershire beating Warwickshire. Mullally took five for 15 in eight overs to dismiss the runners-up of last year for a mere 95. Born in

Southend-on-Sea and raised in Western Australia, he is as committed to achieving success for Leicestershire as is Nigel Briers. There can be no higher praise than that. These were his best figures in this

Warwickshire's revised tar-

et was 134 in 36 overs. With the ball bouncing and seaming alarmingly on a pitch freshened up by rain, half the side were out for 31 before Mulially had completed his spell. The lower order batted without accomplishment against the change bowlers, Simmons and Wells, both of whom took two wickets. That Leicestershire had achieved a reasonable total, albeit in slightly easier conditions, owed much to a half-century by Maddy, 55 off 62 balls, and some useful runs by Welis. Smail and Reeve took three wickets apiece.

Rain brought a premature end to Derbyshire's match

before Hussain had made sufficient runs to impress Brian Bolus, one of Raymond Illingworth's two observers, to say nothing of an England selector in Gooch, one of his partners. There were a number of attractive strokes in his innings of 41 on a slow pitch and still slower outfield. Bolus cuts a less curious

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Illingworth's other observer, who sits anonymously behind the arm in dark glasses and up-turned collar. But he retains the marked enthusiasm for the game that he always possessed. To his chagrin yesterday, the top score of the day was made by an Austra-

lian, Law, who made 46, and who is taking to limited-overs cricket in much the same way as he has to the county championship. Essex managed 207 for seven. Before the rain arrived. they took the crucial wicket of another Australian, Jones, who was leg-before to flort

playing across the first ball of the innings. Derbyshire reached 17 without further loss before the downpour. Although the players helped the ground staff clear the covering when it had ceased, the timpires deemed that the square was too wet for the match to The conditions were little

better at other grounds. Not even a ten overs a side thrash was possible at Portsmouth. where Hampshire were due to play Durham, or Horsham, where Sussex should have played Middlesex, and two

overs could not bring about a positive result at Ebbw Vale. The match started nearly two hours late and became one of 26 overs a side before a further ten overs were lopped off. Worcestershire deserved

better. They restricted Glamorgan to 114 for five, Illingworth and Moody taking two wickets apiece, and although Cottey, that considerably under-rated limited-overs batsman, struck eight fours in his unbeaten 44, this was a target well within their compass. The promotion in the batting order of Gibson, the West Indian all-rounder who will have a groin operation following Glamorgan's Benson and Hedges quarter-final tomorrow at Cardiff, did not come off. Moody and Curtis, Worces-

tershire's openers, were all too aware of the incipient threat of the weather. By the time the rain started to cascade down, the latter had outscored his captain, quite something in this form of the game, or, for that matter, in first-class cricket. He had struck five fours in a total of 34 from 5.3 overs before the abandonment was

Bradman plays . dead bat in new biography



John Woodcock says the world's greatest batsman is happy to

maintain a reputation for reticence

nusually for him, Sir Donald Bradman has taken a biographer into his home, and, with the help of his set of Wisdens, run through his astounding career, more or less innings by innings. The result is The Don, by Roland Perry, a book of over 600 pages, closely detailed and yet, in itself, confirmation of the great man's natural reticence.

Despite what certain of his contemporaries in his early Australian sides may have claimed, Bradman has always much preferred seclusion to the limelight. He stole their thunder not by design or with calculated relish, but simply becuse he was a cricketing

It can be argued that his pre-eminence with a bat in his hand, has never been equalled by anyone at any time in any other game, though I throw that in only for consideration.

Now 87, Bradman still lives in the leafy Adelaide suburb where he settled in 1935, when the chance of a career in stockbroking prompted a move from New South Wales.

Those who make the pilgrimage there, in the hope of setting eyes on him, are likely to do so only if he happens to be leaving for one of his twiceweekly rounds of golf. Until not long ago, he could hole the course in a score lower than his age — if the putts went in, that is, and there was run on the ball and it was a reasonably still day.

Such were his powers of commitment that he could well have been a championship golfer (when he had the time, he got his handican down to one) or a championship squash player (even as an occasional player he reached the final of the South Australian championship) or a championship billiards play-er (he was soon making threefigure breaks after acquiring his own table) or a championship tennis player (he could beat all-comers as a country boy). He had a good enough mind to have become chairman of the Australian stock exchange or a member of the Menzies cabinet

Instead, he gave himself to cricket, and to Jessie, whom he has known since 1919 and whom he married in 1932. They are an utterly devoted, self sufficient couple. Had

Perry known more about cricket than he evidently does, he might have been able to penetrate the Don's defences more revealingly than he has: but I doubt it. Even when Kerry Packer was playing such havoc with the game in Australia, Bradman never really opened his heart and said what he felt about it.

His reason for not doing so was high-minded enough he felt that it was for the then chairman of the Australian Cricket Board to be seen at the crease, not a backbencher. however influential. One longed, even so, to hear him put Packer down.

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Likewise, he prefers to let bygones be bygones where Bodyline is concerned. What this book does convey is the monumental extent of Bradman's achievements, the swiftness with which he emerged from the bush to become an Australia demigod, indeed one of the world's great sporting idols, and just how much it could and occasionally did take out of him.

he word "sporting" is relevant here, because although he came not to suffer fools gladly, and could be, even at an early age, decidedly wary, sportsmanship was paramount to him. Typically, R.C. Robertson-Glasgow got it right when he described the Don as "that rarest of nature's creations, a genius with an eye to business

Nobody meeting him for the first time can ever have been less than a little awed. Had he been born only 40 years later, he might never, as it were, have happened. The proliferation of fiercely shortpitched bowling, protective field-placing and lamentable over-rates (12 an hour as against 22), would almost certainly have precluded it. He told me once that the 309 which he scored on the first day of the third Test at Headingley in 1930 might have amounted to no more than 165 had the tactics that came into the game in the 1960s and 1970s been customary then.

As a commentary on modern trends, need any more be

☐ The Don, by Roland Perry (Sidgwick and Jackson, £25).

Fleming's sense of fun lifts gloom

BY PAT GIBSON

CANTERBURY (Kent won toss): Kent (4pts) beat York-shire by ten wickets

MATTHEW FLEMING is the very antithesis of the Yorkshire cricketer. Unlike our friends from the north, the former officer in the Royal Green Jackets really does play his cricket for fun and he was in his element when this AXA Equity & Law League match was reduced to a 10-over slog.

Cricket was never meant to be played like this, but it still needed a special kind of talent to produce the astonishing allround performance with

AXA Equity & Law League

Gloucestershire v Surrey

Extras (b 1, lb 5, w 5)

Kent v Yorkshire CANTERSURY (Kent won toss): Kent (4pts) best Yorkshire by ten wickels

YORKSHIRE

Umpires: H D Blrd and T E Jesty.

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which Fleming swept Kent to victory with 4.5 overs to spare.

First he took a Sunday best four for 13 in his two overs as Yorkshire were restricted to 87 for five. Then he struck 63 off only 20 balls, including seven sixes, to give Kent four points which made the waiting worthwhile for the Canterbury faithful.

A remarkable number of spectators hung around the St Lawrence Ground and their patience was rewarded when the umpires decided that the shortest possible contest could start at the latest possible time, 5.58pm. It was dark and spitting with rain but the players went to work willing-

SUNDAY'S SCOREBEARDS!

TR Ward not out
M V Flerning not out
Extras (nb 2)

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE
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R J Besley c Trump b Shine
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D J Capel b Shine
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J E Emburry b Caddick
C E L Ambrose not out

J P Teytor not out .. Extras (lb 12, w 5) .

ly. Kent put Yorkshire in and it looked as though they would have a stiff target to chase when Bevan and Blakey put on 44 in four overs for the second wicket. Wren was hit for 22 off one over and Kent were looking for inspiration when Fleming came on to bowl the eighth over.

A week earlier he had got the Sunday champions' season by scoring a century and taking three wickets against Essex. Now he had White caught at long off with his first ball. Bevan taken at long off from his second and McGrath and Vaughan both brilliantly caught by Llong on the mid-wicket boundary.

Warwicks v Leics

If his bowling was spectacular enough, it was nothing compared with his extraordinary exhibition with the bat. Silverwood was carved for six over point in his first over which also yielded another six over long on.

Three more sixes, one over backward square leg and two more over mid-wicket came in Hamilton's first over and when White came on Fleming quickly applied the coup de grace. A six over backward square took him to 50 off 16 balls, a top-edged hook just cleared fine leg before running for four and yet another six, swatted over point, won the game.

Extras (b 2, ib 10, w 2) Total (7 wids, 40 overs)

S J W Andrew and P M Such did not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-40, 2-78, 3-134, 4-152, 5-188, 5-189, 7-189, BOMLING: Base 8-0-34-1; Henris 6-1-16-0; Wells 7-0-37-1; Vendrau 8-0-35-2; Bernett 7-0-35-2; Aldred 5-0-36-0.

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Sussex victory casts further doubt on class of 95

ecople are beginning to talk. It is not yet June and the season remains rooted in its damp infancy but the health of the two teams who contested the climax of an epic 1995 championship is already exciting comment. Middlesex have begun the new term dreadfully and Warwickshire, initially imperious, seem suddenly and bafflingly

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On Saturday, the whispered doubts increased in volume as Middlesex collapsed spectacularly to defeat against a Sussex side hardly bursting with form wickshire found themselves heading towards the unthinkable indignity of a second successive home defeat.

Middlesex have lost two of three years. Nevertheless, if there years. their first three games and

their one victory, over the hapless Durham, followed a fragile batting show. Warwickshire began with an in-nings win over Sussex but they proceeded to lose to Hampshire in a compliant style to which they are unaccustomed. a style that remains on show in their present game against

Of course, it is too soon to be contemplating the decline of the champions. Of course, there is an element of wishful thinking in the doubts expressed by opponents keen to three years. Nevertheless, it must be said that they look suddenly vulnerable, a fact that will be exercising the keen minds responsible for their prolonged success.

They have batted poorly in three consecutive innings and will lose again if this is extended to a fourth today. Leicestershire already lead them by 125, with Phil Simmons unbeaten on 100 as one of four wickets standing, and they could have no greater incentive than the knowledge that victory will keep them at

If the middle-order batting,

the head of the table.



ALAN LEE Championship Commentary

anxiety at Edgbaston, another is the seam bowling which won them so many games. Munton, still missing with a broken bone in his hand, is being much missed. So, too, is Donald, whose deputy, Pol-lock, is not yet taking a significant number of championship wickets. Warwickshire have forged their

reputation on the ability to produce runs and wickets from apparently unpromising sources but now, temporarily at least, they are looking

round in vain. Like Warwickshire, Middlesex have suffered severely from early-season injuries largely to seam bowlers. Their st regression, however, is in the confidence of their batting, exemplified by the struggling Ramprakash and exhibited as never before in Horsham on Saturday.

Rain, over the first three days, turned this into a someforfeitures and an agreed target. There were those who considered that the agreement, 320 in 72 overs, was a triumph for Mike Gatting's negotiating powers. But it did not turn out remotely that way as Middlesex were blown away in a mere 24.2 overs. There were three wickets each for Paul Jarvis, Ed Giddins and Danny Law, and

the 14 from no-balls was the

first win over a county this season and the relief at Hove will be as profound as the

oncern at Lord's.

Much the biggest innings of the day belonged to Trevor Ward, of Kent, whose 161 out of 299 was single-handedly responsible for keeping Yorkshire at bay at Canterbury. These are justifiably expectant days for Yorkshire and there is much to like about their cricket. Here, it was Craig White who produced the best figures as they secured a lead of 51 but Silverwood, Wharf and Morris are giving youth a

Another team beginning to flourish is Gloucestershire, for whom Tim Hancock, 24, made his first century for two years against Surrey at Gloucester. Surrey, who have provided England with most of their top order, declined to 137 for six, at risk of following on, before Ward and Kersey led them to safety and an overnight declaration.

Only the mental contortions of the captains, and more benevolent weather than is forecast, can concoct results elsewhere today, which may leave ample scope for further dressing-room debate on what is going wrong for the top two

Two mainstays of England's new-ball attack face prospect of exclusion from squad for first Test

Fraser offers consistent argument for selection

ANGUS FRASER was at the end of his run, pawing the ground and gesticulating to-wards his Middlesex captain. Mike Gatting was in the slips. all of 50 yards away, hands on hips and a quizzical look on his face. The exchange between them at Horsham last week could be heard beyond

the boundary.
"Leg gully" an exasperated
Fraser bellowed as he repeated his demand for a change in the field. "You can't have three men behind square on the leg side," Gatting barked back, "how long have you been playing this game?" Too long, seasons too long, it seemed as Fraser, muttering something about not having much experience in field-setting with a captain like his, stamped his

foot like a shire horse impatient to ploughing and galloped in to bowl

can be deceptive. No one looks more distressed than Fraser when he does not get his just reward, no

one more shattered when he trudges back to fine leg at the end of an over let alone a spell. Even Raymond Illingworth, who is not easily fooled, has been misled by the body language, which is as good a reason as any why Fraser should put the record straight.

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"Whatever the image people have of me," he said. "I do enjoy playing cricket. I suppose I could smile a bit more and have a few more laughs, but I don't because what I do is bloody hard work. I care about it so I do look disappointed when things are not going well.

'I'm sorry but that is me. I suppose my character is moulded to the kind of bowler I am. It is just not in my makeup to be a happy-go-lucky bowler who gambles on away swingers and yorkers and bouncers etc and then smiles when it does not come off.

The one thing I look for is consistency and that's what I think I have to offer. There's never a lot of difference between the way I bowl from one match to the next. Sometimes it happens for you, sometimes it does not."

It has not happened often enough this season for Fraser to be able to take anything for Company pick the team for the first Test against India, but he is as fit, as keen, and as happy with his bowling as he has ever been since a chronic hip condition stopped him in his tracks after the 1990-91 Australian tour.

His detractors will tell you that he has never recaptured the zip he had before that injury, which kept him out for 2½ years, despite the fact that he made a triumphant comeback against Australia in 1993, bowled England to victory in Barbados the following winter and took six wickets in the Old Trafford Test against the West Indies as recently as last July.

"You are forever trying to prove people wrong," Fraser, still only change their views. I think I'm bowler in bowling very well, as well as I've bowled for a long

time. I'm not impeded by injury and it's not just a question of playing another summer, another winter. I hope, I can stay at the top for another two or three years and play for Middlesex for another six or seven.

"You spend so much of your time worrying about England selection because it means so much to you that you put vourself under extra pressure. I really believe that I'm the second best bowler in the country after Dominic Cork but I've got to the stage where I just think 'Right, all I can do is my best for Middlesex and if they don't pick me then they must have found two or three world-class bowlers from somewhere in the past few months'.

It should help Fraser's cause that Michael Atherton is one of his greatest friends but he has learnt from past experience not to expect any favours. We get on very well, socially and in a working environ-ment," Fraser said, "but he's dropped me more than any other captain I've played for. If that's what your best mates do, what can you expect of your enemies?"





Fraser, left, and Malcolm celebrate taking wickets for England. Both now hope that their Test careers are not consigned to history. Photographs: Graham Morris

Malcolm replies with timely reminder of power

THE events of the past week might have given people the impression that Devon Malcolm is living, at least playing, under a cloud. Not a bit of it. He is smiling through this troubled period of his life, knowing that others are prepared to question the propriety of Raymond Illing-

worth's latest public criticism. Mike Horton, the chairman of Derbyshire, formally responded on the club's behalf. "The book should not have been published during the season," he said. "If Raymond Illingworth were to write it after he retires that would be an entirely different matter, but that is not the case. It is appearing while he is still the chairman of selectors.

To me that is an abuse of his

purely commercial grounds. To blame one man for the loss of a Test series, as he did with Devon, is grossly unfair." Derbyshire, said Horton, expect the Test and County Cricket Board's (TCCB) disciplinary committee to take "strong action".

Malcolm could not have picked a better time to provide his answer. On the day last week that Illingworth was telling readers that Malcolm lacked the "spunk" England expected from a fast bowler, the main story on the field was Malcolm bowling Derbyshire to victory with six for 52, the best figures of his county career, at Cardiff.

From all accounts he bowled fast and straight, scaring more than one Glamorgan batsman out, and hithe bowled well on the first day, when he removed Graham Gooch, who can supply a favourable report to his fellow selectors if they ask.

But will they? Illingworth has aired his opinions at an inappropriate time, as Horton and others have indicated, but they are not ill-considered. Malcolm bowled poorly in South Africa even before the second afternoon of the final Test in Cape Town, when England began to throw away the chance of winning the match and the series. It must be remembered, however, that England made only 310 runs in their two innings, after winning a vital toss. The selectors meet in Manchester

on Saturday to discuss the team for the first Test against India which ting the gloves hard. Against Essex begins at Edgbaston the following with the bowling. Dominic Cork will certainly play. Peter Martin will probably play — and then who? There is always the dependable Angus Fraser, as Michael Atherton will remind everybody, but Tim Munton is injured and to pick Darren Gough on present form flies in the face of all reason.

David Lloyd has been saying that he is "not interested in what happened in the past", and, by helping to bring back Chris Lewis, he has been as good as his word. Clearly, if Lewis is back in favour, there is hope for all who have strayed from the path of righteousness.

Memories are still fresh of the debacle at Edgbaston last year when West Indies bowled out England for 147 and 89 on an appalling pitch.

pitch this year, on the advice of Harry Brind, the TCCB's pitch consultant, and there is no way of knowing it will not misbehave until

people start bowling on it. There must be a chance that it will be green and, of all Test pitches in England, it is the most likely to be uneven. Marry that consideration to the lack of preparation the Indians have had since they arrived a month ago, and England will begin the Test fully expecting to win it, so long as their bowlers are primed.

Along with Alec Stewart and Robin Smith, Malcolm is generally considered expendable after England's disappointing winter. Bowlers, of course, are always more expendable than batsmen, as Malcolm is about to find out.

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FALL OF WICKETS: 1-60, 2-86, 3-103, 4-105, 5-120, 6-121, 7-154, 8-163, 9-184.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First innings

Total (87.3 overs) ...

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Sussex v Middlesex HORSHAM (final day of four): Susse (19ots) beat Middlesex (3) by 234 runs SUSSEX: First Innings

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N J Lenham c Follet b Ramprakash

D R Law low b Fraser

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ID K Salisbury not out

V C Draikes not out V C Drakes not out Extras (1b 7, w 1, nb 22) Total (7 wkts dec, 85 overs)

P W Jarvis and E S H Giddins did not bat FALL OF WICKETS, 1-6, 2-57, 3-209, 4-262, 5-266, 6-260, 7-310. BOWLING: Freser 24-5-56-1; Hewitt 11-3-43-1; Nash 10-1-44-1; Foliett 24-6-99-1; Tuhnell 11-2-42-0; Weekes 1-0-2-0; Ramprakash 4-0-26-2. Second Innings Innings fortell MIDDLESEX: First innings toriet

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A R C Fraser b Law
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Derbyshire v Essex

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D D J Robinson c Kritken b Jones
N Hussain tow b Ham's
S G Law c Kritken b Ham's
P J Pruchard c Wells b Base
A P Greyson c Adams b Jones
H J Rollins not out
M C flott c Barrett b Ham's
M H Mittens not out Widliams not out . . . as (1b, 1, nb, 12) . . . Total (7 wids dec. 102.2 overs) PM Such and A P Cover did not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-179, 3-179, 4-225, 5-278, 6-297, 7-310.

225, 5276, Melcolm 23-387-1; Harris 30-9-87-3; Bese 23-24-105-1, Aktred 8-1-37-0; Weils 10-2-12-0; Jones 8-2-24-2 DERBYSHIRE: First (nnings K. J. Bernett c. Rollins b. Williams A.S. Rollins c. Williams b. Such Total (3 wkts, 57,3 overs)

Bonus points: Derbyshire 4 Essis: 5 Umpires: J D Bond and K J Lyons Głamorgan v Worcestershire ABERGAVENRY (third day of lour). Glemor-gan, with rathe second-mings wickets in hand, are 136 runs ahead of Worcestershire

GLAMORGAN: First Innings

A Dele c Moody b Newport
GP Butcher b Newport
PA Cottey c Rewnsley b Newport
1A D Shaw b Newport
R D 8 Croft nol cut
O D Gibson c Phodes b Bingworth
S D Thomas c Illingworth b Rawnsley
S L Walten c Phodes b Newport
R Baw Barwick run out 19 (b 2, 1b 7, nb 18)

BOWLING: Newport 3-2-7-0; Shartyar 3-2-1-1. WORCESTERSHIRE: First immigs

K R Spiring, "T M Moody, D A Leatherdale, IS J Findes, S R Lampitt, P J Newport, R K Nangworth, A Sheriyer and M Rewnsley did not bet. Total (no wid dec, 48.4 overs) BOWLING: Watter, 7-3-24-0, Thomas 11.4-2-62-0; Gibson 2-0-13-0; Croft 11-4-25-0; Butches 50-30-0; Banwick, 7-3-13-0; Dale 5-1-24-0. Bonus points: Glamorpan 3 Worcestershire

Limpines: V A Holder and N T Plews Gloucestershire v Surrey GLOUCESTER (third day of four): Surrey, with four first-mings wickets in hand, are 145 runs behind Gloucestershire GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First Innings

*C A Walsh c and b Julian Extres (lb 7, w 2, nb 30)

BOWLING: M P Bicknell 29-8-98-3; Julian 30.5-7-97-5; Holligake 8-1-25-0; Benjamin 21-4-77-0; Peerson 18-2-62-0; Retailife 2-1-7-1. SURREY: First Innings D M Ward not out B P Julian Ibw b Smith ... †G J Keraey not out Extras (fb 6, w 1)

Total (8 wides dec, 79.4 owers) ______288
M P Bicknell, R M Peerson and J E
Benjamin did not bet.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-47, 2-75, 3-104, 4113, 5-126, 6-137. BOWILING: Waleh 19-7-43-1; Smith 13-2-31-2: Davis 13-4-37-0; Alleyne 14-5-40-1; Ball 17-5-41-1; Hencock 2-0-10-0; Sy-monds 1-40-20-0. Bonus points: Gloucestershire & Surrey 5 Umpires: H D Bird and T E Jesty. Hampshire v Durham

PORTSMOUTH (triad day of lour): Durham, with six first-nnings wickets in hand, are 32 runs behind Hampshire HAMPSHIRE: First Innings

SATURAYSSCALERABAS

Total (59.4 overs) 206
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-0, 2-1, 3-8, 4-27, 554, 6-70, 7-91, 8-111, 9-165. BOWLING: Brown 20-2-55-4; Betts 19-1-83-2; Wood 17.4-3-60-4; Collingwood 3-0-

DURIHAME Pirst Innings
S L Campbell c Aymes b Miburn
M A Rosebery Ibw b James
J E Morris c Maru b Stephenson
D A Blenkiron not out
P Bainbridge c Laney b Udal
D Codingwood not out ras (b.4, fb.6, w.1) fCW Scott, JWood, JBoiling, SJE Brown and MM Belts to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-13, 2-39, 3-67, 4-90MLING: Connor 13-5-28-0; Milburn 18-6-33-1; Slephenson 9-0-22-1; James 19-3-34-1; Udai 13-5-28-1; Maru 9-2-21-0.

Bonus points: Hampshire 2 Durham 4 Umpires: J W Holder and K E Palmer. Kent v Yorkshire CANTERBURY (third day of four): York-shire, with nine second-innings wickets in hand, are 80 runs sheed of Kent

YORKSHIRE: First Innings C E W Silverwood not out Extras (b 2, lb 3, w 1, nb 10) Total (8 wkts dec, 113.1 overs) . R D Sterno old not bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-60, 2-68, 3-196, 4-211, 5-217, 6-264, 7-295, 8-349. BOWLING: McCague 33-7-97-3: Thompson 15-4-68-0; Preston 25-5-68-4; Fleming 11-3-30-0; Patel 29.1-7-84-1

Second Imings

A McGrath not out

M P Vaughan c Reming b McCague

"D Byas not out

Extras (b 1) Total (1 wkt) _____ FALL OF WICKET: 1-11. BOWLING: McCaque 8-2-11-1; Thompso 5-2-11-0; Pate! 1-0-1-0; Hooper 1-0-5-0.

KENT: First Innings KEMT: First Innings
D P Futton flow b Silverwood ...
M V Fleming c Morris b Harriey
T R Ward b White
C L Hooper c Byes b Silverwood
G R Cowdray c Byes b Silverwood
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H C Cowdray c Byes b Silvery
T S A Marsh b White
J B D Thompson b White
M J McCague c Harriey b Stemp
M M Patel o Morris b White
N W Preston nor out
Extres (b 1, b 7, nb 22)

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Bonus points: Kent 5 Yorkshire 8 Umpires: R Palmer and A Clarkson

Somerset v Northamptonshire TAUNTON (titled day of lour): Somerset, with all first-landings wickets in hand, are 295 runs behind Northamptonshire NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: First innings R Montgomerie c Rose b Caddick

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Total (9 wkts dec, 99 overs)

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-14, 3-86, 4-187, 5-201, 6-206, 7-314, 8-321, 9-343. BOWLING: Cartdick 22-5-56-1; Shine 22-4-95-3; Rose 22-7-47-3; Lee 11-2-78-0; Hayhurst 3-0-20-0; Batty 18-0-72-2. SOMERSET: Arst Innings

M N Lathwell not out ... P D Bowler not out Extras (to 6, no 4) Total (no wkt, 28 overs) "A N Hayhunst, M E Trescothick, P C L Hofloway, S Lee, †A J Turner, G D Rose, J D Betty, A R Caddick and K J Shine to bet

BOWLING: Ambrose 6-1-12-0; Taylor 7-2-31-0; Capel 5-2-7-0; Curren 7-1-26-0; Emburey 3-1-6-0. Bonus points: Somerset 4 Northempton-shire 4 Umpires: J H Harmoshire and G Sharp.

Warwickshire v Leicestershire EDGBASTON (third day of four): Leiceste stire, with four first-innings wickets i hand, are 125 runs ehead of Warwickshir

WARWICKSHIRE: First Innings J Moles run out V Knight b Mullsilly P Ostier c Nison b Parsons

Total (6 wids, 90 overs) G J Parsons, A R K Pierson and A D Mulially to bat. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-29, 2-63, 3-160, 4-202, 5-251, 6-259. BOWLING: Poliock 18-2-47-0; Smell 12-0-55-2; Brown 10-0-35-1; Giles 15-4-38-0; Reeve 23-6-43-0; Welch 14-3-55-3. Umpires: G I Burgess and D R Shaphard University match Oxford University v Nottinghamshire THE PARKS (line) day of three): Culord University draw with Notlinghamshire, match abandonded. OXFORD LINIVERSITY: First Innings 178 for 3 (G Kiten 72 not out) NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: JR Wileman, MP Downson, "P Johnson, N A Gie, J E Hindson, tl. N P Walter, U Atzael, K P

Umpires: 8 Leadbeater and J.F. Steele

Scotland succumb to march of the American dream

Scotland ...

FROM KEVIN McCARRA IN NEW BRITAIN CONNECTICUT

DEFEAT is robbed of some of its trauma when it occurs before a crowd of only 8,526 in a modest little ground on a relaxed Connecticut afternoon, but this result in Willowbrook Park, New Britain, was perturbing in other respects. The loss of the match through Cobi Jones's majestic 20-yard shot in the 72nd minute - will matter less to Craig Brown, the Scotland manager, than his side's difficulty in finding similar

His search for a remedy has been conspicuous of late. In qualifying for the European championship finals, Scotland displayed the caution of a team conscious of its frailties. Yesterday there was an attempt to achieve more on foreign soil than simple resistance, and freshness was exchanged for experience in midfield.

This meant that established figures such as John Collins and Gary McAllister spent the first half lolling on the bench in the sunshine. Their replacements were, however, grateful to be assigned their labours.

Men such as Eoin Jess are far more than deputies and the Coventry City player, with his pensive skills, should be able to press his claim for a prominent role in Brown's plans. There was vivacity in the early Scotland play and they took the lead in the ninth

Burley's fine pass down the right was the crucial element. allowing Jackson to cut the hall back for Booth to turn a shot against the inside of the post. The rebound rolled obligingly for Durie to finish.

The Rangers forward was winning his first cap for two years and although his goal was not of the type that amounts to an instant vindication, it did encourage an energetic performance in the first half that gave Scotland impetus. The United States are, however, long past the

sults, such as a 3-0 victory over Argentina last year, have been intimidating. Throughout the United States there is a convic-

when they succumb



Durie: energetic

tion that football, in the wake of the 1994 World Cup, is becoming established. Major League Soccer, which began in April, is already finding a niche in the life of this nation.

On Saturday night in Boston. 15,000 watched the New England Revolution play Colorado Rapids. It was an average attendance and a routine match, yet the enthusiasm of the crowd and its acceptable size suggest a sport – and a national team — that can be part of American life.

There was a shrewdness in its direction of their attack yesterday, with the uncertainty of Scotland on the left of the defence swiftly identified. Although United States equalminute, it was no surprise that their goal originated in that

The influential Harkes supplied Ramos, and as he twisted inside Whyte, the Middlesbrough defender sent him crashing. Wynalda drove home the penalty forcefully.

Scotland continued to work diligently, however, and their play grew more measured as the interval approached. Jess might even have scored then, but an impish chip floated over the bar. With his poise and scrupulous use of the ball he had, none the less, demonstrated his worth to Scotland in this game. He remained on the field, but a flurry of substitutions was to rob his team of its coherence

McAllister could have restored Scotland's lead, instead of skewing a shot from Spencer's knock-down just wide, but as time passed it was the United States who retained a greater sense of the game's significance and it was Harkes, forceful and perceptive, who looked as if he might

compel a winner. His through pass, in the 52nd minute, set Wynalda free, but he could only drive against Leighton. A little later, Harkes himself was provided with an opportunity by Jones, but he clipped the outside of the post with a curving finish.

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Strodder, of Notts County, leaves Stallard flat on the Wembley turf during Bradford's victory in the second division play-off final yesterday

Bradford rise to Wembley challenge

Notts County ...

By Russell Kempson

WHEN Chris Kamara became manager of Bradford City in November, replacing Lennie Lawrence, his side were virtual non-entities in the Endsleigh Insurance League second division, neither winners nor woeful. Yesterday, six months on, they deservedly defeated Notts County in the play-off final to take their place in the first division next

It was Bradford's first appearance at Wembley. When they won the FA Cup by

matches were played at Crystal Palace and Old Trafford. It was County's fifth appearance seven years, in play-off finals and the Anglo-Italian Cup and yet, almost from start to finish, it was the Wembley rookies and their rookie manager who were destined for

Kamara, the former Leeds United midfield player, has already set himself the highest of standards. "I hope this is just the start," he said. "We won't be sleeping next season: we'll be trying to go the whole

The first half, apart from an early goal from Hamilton, will fill barely a paragraph in the annals of play-off history. As a spectacle, it was as depressing as the dank, unseasonal conditions. County continuously booted the ball forward, hopefully towards Martindale and Battersby but usually nowhere in particular. Bradford. who finished five points adrift of County during the regulation season, at least contemplated their options before

exercising them. Hamilton's goal, in the ninth minute, burned brightly amid the general gloom. Collecting possession from Martindale's headed flick, he set off past Agana. Baraclough and Strodder, somehow keeping balance as his feet slithered goalkeeper, approached. Hamilton, born in Bradford and only 19, drove his shot in via the crossbar.

Matters improved after the interval, with County's crass, direct approach replaced by a bit more guile. Martindale glanced a header wide, from Finnan's cross, and Battersby forced a finger-tip save from the previously unemployed Gould with a delightful 20-yard drive. However, just when an equaliser appeared plausible, Bradford extended their lead. In the 74th minute. Huxford crossed from the right and Ormondrovd, a substitute, rose at the near

post to make his first contribu-

to Stallard, who volleyed past Ward with much aplomb.

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County responded, too late, with efforts from Martindale. Finnan and Richardson, before Kamara burst on to the pitch at the final whistle to embrace anyone and everyone in an amber-and-claret shirt. His only possible worry, in his infant managerial career, isthat he may have peaked too

BRADFORD CITY (4-4-2): J Gould — R
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Wright, 75) — M Stalfard, C Shutt
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Agana — G Martindale, A Battemby (sub: G
Jones, 84)

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Walsh ready to put experience to good use

bley play-off finals with Leicester City, from 1992 to 1994, he has experienced every emotion. The elation of victory, once the despair of defeat, twice; the joy of scor-

ing, three times. He has conceded a crucial penalty, when David Speedie earned 5.9 for artistic impression for Blackburn Rovers. He has helped inspire a comeback from 3-0 down against Swindon Town. He has seen off Derby County, with both goals.

Wembley never loses its allure and, today, Waish wili lead out Leicester against Crystal Palace in the first division final. A swift return to the FA Carling Premiership awaits and he will draw on all of his memories, good and bad, in an effort to calm and cajole his colleagues.

Mike Whitlow, his fellow defender, will need little assis-

Russell Kempson talks to a defender who has no fears of the problems of old. The 6ft 3in Endsleigh Insurance League first division play-off at Wembley

the former Scotland striker

took off into orbit. "You could

say it was disputed," Walsh

tance. He has shared, with Walsh, the highs and lows beneath the twin towers. Many of the others, though, will be grateful for any hints. 'Winning is the only thing," Walsh. 31, said. "You cannot enjoy losing any final. After so much hard work, after all you've gone through, it's

"I don't think we've been outplayed in any of our finals yet we've won only once. Defeat is hard to cope with, but perhaps the whole experience helps you the next time. It's easy to get mesmerised by the surroundings and lose your focus on the game. Suddenly, it has all passed you by. I think that's probably what happened to me the first

The first time, in 1992, came against Kenny Dalglish's £6

million Blackburn side, in front of a crowd of 68,147. Walsh challenged Speedie, shortly before half-time, and



Walsh: disciplined

said. Mike Newell tucked in the penalty, enough for a I-0

Second time out. Leicester's recovery from 3-0 to 3-3 against Swindon - Walsh scoring the second goal -ended when Kevin Poole, the goalkeeper, was adjudged to have fouled Steve White. "We disputed that, too," Walsh said. Paul Bodin made it 4-3

from the spot.
Third time, against Derby, proved lucky. Walsh scored twice in a 2-1 success, the winner arriving a minute from the end.

Walsh has enjoyed and endured much during a 14year career, with Wigan Athletic and Leicester. He completes his tenth season at Filbert Street this afternoon and feels he has at last conquered the disciplinary

Vinnie Jones, but has not seen red for two seasons, "Those days are well behind me now," he said.

After constant readjustment, he has handled, too, the changing managerial faces at Leicester. From Brian Little to Mark McGhee to Martin O'Neill, the present incumbent, in only 13 months. "When Martin joined it was not easy for him or the players," Walsh said, "but then, slowly, everything began to come together."

Leicester failed to win in O'Neill's opening nine matches, but four successive victories at the end of the regular season secured their play-off berth. Stoke City were subsequently dispatched 1-0 on aggregate in the semi-finals and now Palace await on one of Wembley's more traumatic afternoons. At least Walsh, for one, knows what to expect.

Martyn happy he stayed

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

tal Palace goalkeeper, began the season in dispute with the club. He was one of the many Palace refuseniks who could not bear the thought of life in the Endsleigh Insurance League after the drop from the

FA Carling Premiership, He. like the others, wanted away, Now, nine months on, he is happy again. He signed a new contract shortly before Dave Bassen took over as manager. and views a victory today, in the first division play-off final against Leicester City at Wembley, as the perfect way in which to conclude a long

campaign. "I was still disappointed about being relegated and everyone seemed to be leaving the club," Martyn. 29, said. "I could understand why the players wanted to go, and why the club was selling them, but it was very unsettling." However, he, unlike most of the

NIGEL MARTYN, the Crys- others, has stayed. Martyn, in out, it should be OK," he said. fact, is one of only three players who began Palace's final Premiership match - a 3-2 defeat at Newcastle - who will start at Wembley. Darren Pitcher and Ray Houghton are the others.

He attaches more significance to the occasion than when Palace last appeared at the national stadium, in 1990. when Manchester United beat them 1-0 in an FA Cup Final replay. "It's not very nice to lose an FA Cup Final but it's not the end of the world. You get over it." he said. "This is far more important. There is so much at stake and it means so much."

Martyn will play despite a nagging injury to his right elbow, for which he will receive corrective surgery later in the week. "I've had the problem for a while but it doesn't really bother me. Once the floating debris is cleaned

Bassett is more concerned about the fitness of David Hopkin, the midfield player. and Leif Eric Andersen, the defender. Hopkin missed the semi-final wins against Charlton Athletic because of a groin strain, while Andersen has a shoulder problem. If Andersen misses out, Robert Quinn, 19. will step in for only his fourth Palace appearance.

Leicester are likely to retain the side that won the second leg of their semi-final 1-0 against Stoke City. Iwan Roberts, the Wales striker, has recovered from broken ribs, and should be among the substitutes.

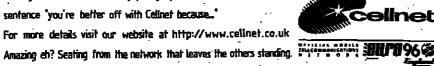
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Warnock waves his play-off wand with familiar effect

Darlington. Plymouth Argyle,....

By Alyson Rudd

IN AN attempt to cling to some vestige of modesty Neil Warnock, the Plymouth Argyle manager, had denied his side were favourites to win Saturday's third division play-off final. He had not, after all, he said, ever been to Wembley on a Saturday before.

It was not too surprising, however, that although Plymouth faced Darlington on the same day as the lottery numbers were drawn and Stars in their Eyes was screened, Warnock's side won, bringing the number of playoff titles taken by Warnock to four in four attempts over six years. No wonder Warnock said Darlington should have won promotion automatically. If a team is in with a chance of promotion alongside a Warnock outfit, the play-offs are not an alternative.

The secret is "hard work" said the man who had already gained promotion with Notts County (twice) and Huddersfield Town. The real secret though is to prevent players, who probably never thought they would participate in a Wembley final, savouring the occasion. The play-off system gives the second best the very best prize; a trip to the Twin Towers with seven or eight times the number of supporters that normally follow the side and the accompanying receipts. Somehow Warnock makes sure his teams keep a grip on reality. They have been given a second chance and they

must not squander it.

Darlington, the smaller club, were just glad to be there at all and although they fielded the best player on the pitch in Appleby, the former Newcastle United defender, they could not wrest control of the match. Appleby, who confidently prompted all of Darlington's better attacks, should have scored in the 23rd minute but swivelled and shot just wide of the upright. Plymouth took heart after that, Darlington never had a better chance and Plymouth permitted us few glimpses of the stylish football Darlington played to reach fifth spot in the third division. It was only the north-east club's second away defeat of the season.

Realising that modesty was now a patently ridiculous affectation Warnock explained that he masterminded the winning goal. He told Leadbitter not to float in his next corner kick but to lay it off to Patterson who would chip the ball into the area. As Patterson did so Mauge leapt up to beat the otherwise impeccable Newell in the Darlington goal.

The hardest work of all will now be to keep Plymouth in the second division. Notts County's rapid rise and fall led to Warnock being sacked in 1993. Expectations can be raised but

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PLYMOUTH ARGYLE (3-5-2): S Cheny — C Curran M Heathcote, R Logan — M Barlow, M Patterson, R Mauge, C Leadbitter, P Williams — M Evans, A Lottlejohn.

Overseas elite underline their technical supremacy

By DAVID MADDOCK

is hardly a prodigal return. Judging by the Nike Premier Cup, a global youth tournament, the finals of which were held in Huddersfield at the weekend, that offspring sent out into the world more than a hundred years ago is a sophisticate unrecognisable to its par-

Nike gathered together the cream of the world's under-14 sides for the finals and, borrowing from the theme of Euro 96, chose England as the venue to show the young players where their game had come from. It was an uplifting sight, imperious youth, strutting its stuff.

What the teams from the likes of Real Madrid. PSV Eindhoven, Borussia Dortmund, Español and Universeidad de Chile displayed to the home nation was that they have taken our game and advanced it wonderfully. The technique of some of the youngsters was quite astonishing.

Arsenal, Dundee United and Symonds Green, of Stevenage, provided the British interest and performed admirably. The Scottish side lost on penalties to the eventual finalists Dortmund, Arsenal finished a creditable fifth, and the boys' club side lost on penalties in the final of the plate

competition. There was, however, a sense that the British clubs are struggling far behind their rivals from around the world. The Germans start coaching their youngsters at the age of five, for Supporter dies, page 5 | instance, the Dutch from eight, and

IF FOOTBALL is coming home, then it they go into the schools to coach every

Klaas van Baalen, the youth coach at PSV, believes that the British are lagging behind on the international stage because their junior football does not match up.

The problem is that it is all too rigid.

In England at under-14 level already they play 4-4-2 and cannot develop beyond that," he said. "We train our youngsters maybe 16 hours a week, and they play in every position until they are 16. That way they can learn the very highest technique. That is the most important thing of all - we spend over one million pounds a year on our youth structure to give our youngsters

The Dutch were a positive dream, eventhough they did not reach the final. "At this age we are more interested in knowledge than winning. It is important that they play in the right way even if it means losing against bigger sides," van Baalen

Contrast that to Arsenal, who looked like, well, Arsenal. There was technique, but not dazzlingly so, and certainly far more strength than flair. Is the gulf so surprising? While the continental sides invest in the future, in Britain it is all left to chance. Symonds Green, for instance, train together just once a week, for an hour, "We're lucky" if we can get them all together at all," Richard Collins, their coach, explained. That from the best of nearly 100 English clubs who entered.

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Rowell freed from restrictions of manager's role

JACK ROWELL, whose two-year term as England coach has yielded one grand slam and a five nations' championship, has been reappointed for a third year. Although his terms of reference have been changed, there will be no restriction on the players he can choose.

A national newspaper claimed yesterday that four members of the England old guard — Will Carling, who retired as captain after the game against Ireland in March, Rory Underwood, Jeremy Guscott and Dean Richards - would have their international careers terminated by Rowell. This may prove true

term, and not because that quarter has been excluded from an England gathering at Bisham Abbey next

"There is absolutely no bar put on "There is absolutely no bar put on Rowell as to the personnel he selects for England," Derek Morgan, the chairman of the national playing committee of the Rugby Football Union (RFU), said. "That would only arise if disciplinary matters required players to be suspended. No one would be daft enough to instruct lack about which olayers he instruct Jack about which players he should pick."

Morgan said that the 50 players invited to Bisham on June 12 would be told about the fitness training required of potential international

players. Those attending will be the players who have "caught the eye" of the selectors over the past season and who are expected to form part of the integrated series of national squads in years to come.

Rex Hazeldine, fitness adviser to England for the past few years, has retired, and the players will be introduced to his successor and to coaches from outside rugby union who will discuss different tech-niques. "Several players have their own personal fitness advisers, particularly the top players, and prefer to stick with them," Morgan said, with oblique reference to Carling, Underwood, Guscott and Richards. It needs no crystal ball to see that

the best days of so distinguished a

foursome may now be behind them. Carling is 30, Guscott will be 31 in July, Underwood and Richards are both 33 this summer. With thoughts turning to the 1999 World Cup, only Carling — who has expressed a curious interest in playing stand-off half — is a likely contender.

To suggest that their international

careers are over, however, is highly contentious. Few coaches would willingly deprive themselves of so much experience with a single stroke, and members of the national playing committee stressed yesterday that the exclusion of senior players had not been discussed at their meeting last Tuesday.

Rowell's retention, confirmed at the emergency meeting of the RFU committee on Friday, is as head coach with sole responsibility for the selection and preparation of the national side. He can shuffle away from the manager's role that he inherited from Geoff Cooke in 1994, and with which he has always been impatient, and leave that function to

a seven-strong management panel. The England team will not have a manager as such, save on visits overseas — of which there may be far more if they cannot come to terms with the other home unions over the negotiation of television rights for the five nations' championship. The management panel will be drawn from the technical staff at Twickenham and members of the national playing committee, assistant coaches for the senior team, posts held at present by Les Cusworth and Mike Slemen.

The RFU, whose attentions have been diverted by the ongoing debate with the leading clubs, was able to confirm arrangements for next season, which includes internationals against Italy and Argentina before Christmas and the possibility of a brief visit by New Zealand in November. There is also a chance of an A team visit to South Africa in August. "The new arrangements are our response in part to the new professional era, Morgan said. They make our organisation more effective in terms of the national selection structure."



Rowell: reappointed

Dangerous liaison at Twickenham intoxicates rugby authorities with heady notions of unification

Marriage of codes could end in tears

By DAVID HANDS

THERE seems no end to the goodwill that exists between rugby union and rugby league. It is almost as if a century of rivalry, and sometimes outright hostility, can be extinguished overnight.

No sooner had Bath and Wigan completed a shared lap of honour round Twickenham on Saturday than the respective administrators were talking of unification, of rugby league Challenge Cup finals coming to Twickenham, of the arrival of a rugby that is

neither league nor union.

The truth of the matter is that the codes have their own characteristics, that some find appealing while others do not. It is frequently said that television, if nothing else, will drive the two together, but there is no intrinsic reason for

Satellite television, so com-



Lydon: happy crowds

monly perceived as the ultimate arbiter in the organisation of sport, has air-time to fill in winter and summer. Having switched the faster code - league - to the hard grounds of summer, there seem to be all kinds of reasons for maintaining union through the winter months, giving players the chance to rest from their labours and creating a greater diversity for the viewer.

There has been mention of a hybrid game, to which Graeme West, the Wigan coach, referred on Saturday. It may be a commentary on union that West, 42, survived as a makeshift lock for 49 minutes before being substituted: "With 15 men out there it gets a bit crowded," he said. Cut it down to 13 and use substitutes sensibly, then you

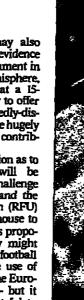
could speed it up." This is an idea that union administrators have considered as their players have become faster and stronger. They may have to do so again as professionalism begins to bite, though they may also take into account the evidence of the Super 12 tournament in the southern hemisphere which has shown that a 15man game has plenty to offer and that the supposedly-disposable flankers can be hugely influential and skilful contrib-

There is some question as to Twickenham during the Eurohear such cavalier dispensation of years of history.

"We both think this series has been valuable," Maurice Lindsay, the chief executive of the Rugby Football League, said on behalf of himself and outil in which it and their obvious respect for each other, all suggest we should explore the possibility

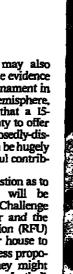
Joe Lydon, the Wigan assistant coach and, like West,

increase their market price." Whether the 42,000 at Twickenham were happy, only they will know. Bath did not play rugby union particu-larly well. They were carried away with the need to play a wide game on a field cluttered with red-and-white shirts desperately trying to remember unfamiliar laws and struggling for positional sense. In a shapeless first half. Bath scored 25 points, the first ten of them from a penalty goal and a penalty try, and expended far more energy than they would normally have done. John Hall, their



I hope not. The walls are down, there is mutual recognition of each other's qualities but we have two distinct games now. "I think it will be very difficult for the two codes not, ultimately, to merge," Hallett said; but if administrators are strong enough to resist such siren voices, from

both codes: "Integration is possible but both codes can not a perfect game. We won't stand still, nor will Bath, but we want an entertaining game and in the present environment you have to keep the crowds happy. Summer and



whether Wembley will be available for the Challenge Cup final next year and the Rugby Football Union (RFU) may well open their house to the event as a business proposition - just as they might have done had the football authorities sought the use of pean championship — but it becomes faintly distasteful to

Tony Hailett, the RFU secrehas been played, the enjoyment of nearly 70,000 spectators [over the two matches], the commitment of the players

television and elsewhere, they need not.

essed into service on Saturday, believes there is room for learn from each other. Our's is winter give young players the chance to learn both codes and

director of rugby, exulted in the fact that the ball was in



posed to the norm for a Courage league match of 20-25 minutes, but that served only to expose Bath's lack of fitness. By the interval, several of their players were blowing hard. As their game became more ragged, Wigan's extra fitness, the product of daily training, became more influential and their running skills

more apparent. The result was three outstanding long-range tries, the first of which, by Craig Murdock, owed everything to the delightful running of Henry Paul. Jon Sleightholme's first-half try, from closer range, was equally commend-able, a classic blind-side move enforced by the angle taken by the England wing. Now the historical reunion

is over; perhaps both games can sit down and decide how they can improve upon their own distinct products. SCORERS: Bath: Tries: Adebayo (2), Seighthofme, Cart, de Glanville, Sanders, penelty in Cornersforas: Caland (3). Penelty goet: Caland Wigen: Tries: Murdock (2), Tulgamale. Conversiona: Parnel (2).

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Sleightholme, the Bath wing, darts through a gap in the Wigan defence on his way to the try-line during the cross-code challenge match at Twickenham on Saturday Onward into the valleys of uncertainty

ell, the result of the cross-code challenge between Rash Wigan was an otterly predictable 1-1. So, perhaps we should throw in Wigan's won-derful victory in the Middle-

sex Sevens as a tie-breaker. Or adjudicate on the total of points scored, which gives it to Wigan, who won over the two matches, 101-50. Or on tries scored: Wigan won 19-8. Or on halves won, which went to Wigan 22-12 — Wigan drew the second half on Saturday 19-19.

So, Wigan shaded it and, as they said themselves afterwards, they should, having long been full-time professionals, while union players have scarcely begun to understand the concept.

So there it was, a chunk of history made and a longstanding bar-room argument finally laid to rest. I was glad to be there for the history, but not so much for the sport. In fact, at the end of it all, I felt, and I imagined the players from both codes must have felt, like the typist in The Waste Land, who, after ac-cepting the advances of the young man carbuncular, allows one half-formed thought to pass: "Well, now that's ne, and I'm glad it's over."

But not a bit of it. After the

match, and with 100 years of

Simon Barnes on a bar-room argument finally laid to rest and the future imperfect for rugby's codes, divided or united

the most vicious and ludicrous argument in sport officially over, there was a serious danger of the two sides kissing each other to death. The talk was no longer of patching up differences, but of doing vay with them altogether. Maurice Lindsay, chief ex-

ecutive of the Rugby Football League, talked about a full merger between the two codes, to happen within five years. Wild talk, yet five years agothese matches would have emed impossibilities in our

Tony Hallett, secretary of the Rugby Football Union (RFU), was also fizzing with bonhomie, talking about a renaissance so powerful that the codes might find it difficult not to merge. Both talked about the cross-code challenge as potentially the first of many; next time with four clubs instead of two, perhaps. So it was huge all round at Twickenham but, behind the great love-in, the air was thick with worry. Both codes face a future heavy with uncertainties. In fact, rugby union people have been so busy trying to knife each other that meeting the ancient enemy

must have seemed like sweet relief.

At one stage, narrowly averted last week, the English game seemed about to lose all major clubs on the one hand - because they were too greedy — and the other four of the five nations — because England want more than their fair share of the money. The RFU has made it up, after a fashion, with the clubs, but the international row continues to rumble on.

Meanwhile, rugby league continues to move into an uncertain, experimental future. The sport has staked all, or almost all, on the huge gamble of summer rugby and the Super League. The breathtaking audacity of it all has left everyone in the game in a state of troubled self-doubt, mostly concealed by wild bullishness.

Those inside the game express open fear about the poaching of rugby league players by rugby union: an hilarious turnaround if ever there was one. Scott Quinnell, by a distance Wigan's most effective forward on Saturday, is leaving Wigan and league to play for Richmond and

rugby union. Quinnell was, of course, originally a union player, one of the many that was about to lead the Wales team back to its former glories. But Wigan got him, to great gnashing of teeth from

Now Wigan have let him go, an offer they could not refuse. In a sense, the move is more humiliating that any of Bath's set-piece dominance on Saturday, more of a historychanging event than any cross-code challenge.

ere, the challenge between the codes was not over the ball but over money, and union won. How so? The popularity of rugby union is a vastly overrated thing, but that is not the point. It is not the size of the audience: it is its nature. Rugby union is watched by ABC-1 males aged 20-30. Advertisers love 'em; or at least, they love their disposable

Let the populists sit crammed together in economy class; at the front of the plane they are lounging about in comfort. True, there are not so many of them, but they —

can afford champagne.

Perhaps this corner of sporting history will finally depend, not on the question of the better game, nor the richer tradition, nor even on the new love between the codes. The real question is, who has the richer supporters?

In Australia, rugby league fell into civil war over the Super League proposals that carved the game open. The only winners thus far have been m'learned friends. Meanwhile, the television-led experiment of the Super 12s, the rugby union competition between the top states and provinces of Australia. New Zealand and South Africa has been a towering success.

In this country, rugby union's fight with itself has been about television money. Rugby league has turned itself upside-down and inside out to build the new summer Super League, and performs tireless contortions before the altar of television.

Certainly, the Super 12s and the Super League have brought some terrific sport. But the codes stare uncertainly into the future, with their two good games, or one good one if you prefer. Whither now? No one knows. The two games, or the one game, can only march on and find out,

Townsend takes charge of Scotland

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

GREGOR TOWNSEND will lead Scotland against Wanganui at Cooks Park tomorrow in the opening match of their New Zealand tour. The match, to be played under floodlights, will provide the Northampton stand-off half with his first taste of leader-

ship at the highest level. Townsend, who captained Scotland Schools in 1990-91 and was vice-captain of Scotland, under Rob Wainwright, during the five nations' championship this season, is paired at half back with Andy

Nicol, of Bath. Although they have appeared together in two A matches, Nicol is having to adjust his style to accommodate Townsend's new angle of alignment "Gregor is standing some five metres flatter," Nicol said.

Five players — Stuart Lang, at full back, Graham Ellis (hooker), Barry Stewart (prop), Scott Murray (lock) and Nick Broughton (flanker) will be making their tour

Jim Telfer, the team manager, who said that Craig Chaimers had not been considered for selection at stand-off because of a stomach complaint, confirmed that each member of the touring party

would play in one of the first two games. That means Chalmers will be paired with Gary Arm-

strong, his former international half-back partner, for the next game, in Whangarei. next game, in Whangarei.

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☐ An English invitational side scored a 52-33 win over a South African XV in Accra. Ghana, on Saturday in a the searing heat.

benefit match for Max Brito the Ivory Coast player who was paralysed during a match in the World Cup last year. Peter Mensah scored three tries and Will Greenwood, Richard Cockerill, Nick Beal,

Dean Richards and Tim Rodber one each. Paul Grayson kicked six conversions. For the South Africans, Danie Gerber, Naas Rossouw, Garth Wright each scored tries, with Ruan Kruger adding two more. Naas Botha and Kruger each landed two

conversions. The match was played in four quarters of 20 minutes to allow the players to cope with

Auckland celebrate super success By DAVID HANDS

THERE has not been a provincial tournament in the southern hemisphere to match the Super 12 competition that Park in Auckland on Saturday. Despite misgivings among the rugby public over composite teams, it has grabbed the imagination in a

Much of that has been because of the sustained quality of play, which was a feature of Auckland Blues's semi-final win over Northern Transvaal and of their 45-2) defeat of the

way it its forerunners, the

Super Six and Super Ten, did

Natal Sharks in the final. It remains to be seen how much energy the players now have left for a demanding forthcoming international programme and their own domestic competitions, but it has been a

successful opening to the pro-

Auckland, it must be said. were fortunate to have played both semi-final and final at home. Natal's outstanding showing was against Queens land in Brisbane a week earlier and they could not reproduce it in the face of an Auckland onslaught into the

fessional era.

wind that earned them 17 points without reply. Inevitably, Jonah Lomu was

land's flowing back play. The giant wing opened the scoring with the first of six tries and set up another for Adrian Cashmore with a 75-metre run, just when Natal threat ened to play their way back into the match.

Had Natal been able to capitalise on the work of Mark Andrews at the lineout and the threat posed by Henry Honiball, the stand-off half, they might have come closer, but the demanding schedule confined them to a limited game, whereas Auckland's fluent style created space for outstanding support players such as Michael Jones and his

young disciple, Andrew Blow-ers. Blowers, who is due to play in New Zealand's trial game on Saturday in the hope of earning his first cap, scored two tries and even though Natal pulled back to 20-16 at the interval. Auckland came again.

again.

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Flaws in technique foil Gunnell on return to hurdling

From David Powell, athletics correspondent, in Jena, germany

BEFORE she realised that she that her troubles are behind had run to within a shoe length of the time she set in her corresponding race of 1992, Sally Gunnell was an angry Olympic champion. Do you want the swearwords first?" she asked as she prepared to talk about her first 400 metres hurdles race for 20

Gunnell swearing? Never.

At least, not in public. Whatever it was that this most unpretentious of athletes said heneath her breath, she brought herself under control before delivering her assessment. "I do not think I could have made many more mis-rakes," she said. "I was having so much trouble over the hurdles.'

Gunnell, one of only two British women to have won an Olympic track title, was more cheerful when she discovered thought, failed to break 56 seconds. Still, as she admitted, it is going to be touch and go

all the way to Atlanta." Although Gunnell had competed six times on the flat, indoors and out, this was her first race over hurdles since her World Cup victory in September 1994. After three brilliant summers, winning the 1992 Olympic title, the 1993 world championship with a world record, and the European and Commonwealth gold medals in 1994, injury intervened.

She watched helplessly from the BBC commentary box as her world title and world record passed to Kim Batten, of the United States, in Gothenburg last year.

She had surgery to remove the bone spur on her right heel but it was not until December that she slipped into spikes again, January before she resumed full training and April before she suffered no post-training reaction in her

"I have not had to miss a training session, morning or afternoon, since January," she said. So convinced is she now

her that her weekly fitness column in a Sunday newspaper offered a tutorial on "preventing injury".

She is as fit as she has ever been at this time of year, Bruce Longden, her coach, said. It was her technique that let her down here in this antiquated stadium in eastern Germany, a former German Democratic Republic centre of sporting excellence but now an anachronism in a town where bright new shopping mails and hotels are whittling away the grey walls of old commu-

nism. The track has only six

modation, with its small wooden stand, remains

What Gunnell lacks in flat 400 metres speed, she normally makes up for in technique, but here she lost her stride pattern even before the first hurdle. She had to adjust her step going into it and, though more fluent over the next five flights, on the last four hurdles she looked not like "Our Sal" but somebody else's.

The headwind down the home straight did not help, but she was frustrated to have



from Germany, second to Gunnell at the 1994 European championships, won in 54.97sec. Debbie Ann Parris. from Jamaica, the Commonwealth bronze medal-winner, was second in 55.62 and Gunnell third in 55.84.

In the first race of her Olympic gold medal-winning season, which was a similar length of time before the Games as Jena is before Atlanta, Gunnell recorded 55.80 and, when informed of comparison, she perked

"That gives me a little bit more confidence, given that I made all those mistakes," she said. "I have left the foothills of Everest and I am halfway up the mountain. But I cannot say I am confident lof winning the Olympics), probably just optimistic. But I am a fighter and I will not let this thing beat me. I will get out there and try to work it out."

It would be more worrying if it were Gunnell's fitness that is letting her down because she must have a good chance of regaining her technique in the short time available.

Desperately seeking an explanation of what went wrong. Gunnell and Longden greed that it was probably the now unfamiliar feeling of having athletes either side of her. leading to a loss of concentration on her own lane. That and the same extreme nervousness that Jonathan Edwards, Britain's world champion triple jumper, experienced in his first competition of 1996 a week earlier.

One Olympic champion in no doubt that he will keep possession of his title is Jan Zelezny, of the Czech Republic, who gave the 3,000 spectators the first outdoor world record of the year in an Olympic event. Zelezny improved the javelin mark he set in 1993 from 95.66 metres to 98.48. He was given the number 100 to wear and he almost obliged with 100 metres.

After Uwe Hohn, a Ger-



man, took the world record to 104.80 metres in 1984, the javelin specifications were altered through concern for spectator safety. Javelin design grew into one of the sport's controversial issues of the early 1990s and Zelezny

had one world record ruled illegal by the International Amateur Athletic Federation after it was discovered that the designer had used illegal carbon in the shaft.

Zelezny's fifth legal world record, assuming that it is ratified, will prompt discussion about whether specifications should be altered again to reduce distance. Each time that is done, it devalues world records because they retain

little historical merit. However, in Hohn's day, the javelin would make a mark, then continue its journey. Now design is such that it sticks in the ground and the resting point for Zelezny's 98.48 throw was still comfortably short of the nearest-

Headship for Oriel marked by salute to supporters

THREE days of incessant rain gave way to sunshine, helping to bring a carnival atmosphere to the final day of the Oxford University sumwhich ended with headships for Oriel and Osler-Green.

The two top crews had contrasting outings however. With Pembroke and St Edmund Hall bumped out by Magdalen and New College. Oriel had the river to themselves and, following their tradition, they raised oars and eased alongside their boathouse.

In the women's top division, an unsuccessful attempt by New College to stop St Catherine's winning blades drove them to within two lengths of Osler-Green as the crews passed the university boathouse, but the leaders were never seriously

threatened. Overall Wolfson emerged as the outstanding college. Although lacking the re-sources of many of the more established colleges, their five crews - three men's and two women's — registered 13 bumps and not one boat was

It was a pity that blaring music from the Worcester boathouse drowned the race commentary in the two top Worcester will plead that because there was so much noise they could not hear requests for the volume to be turned down.

Les Lions

are tamed

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Christie enjoys his day with the also-rans

By OUR SPORTS STAFF

LINFORD CHRISTIE was confident of individual and team success for Great Britain at the athletics European Cup in Madrid next weekend after completing a weekend double at a chilly Bedford yesterday.
A day after his 150 metres
victory in the Welsh Games in
Cardiff, Christie returned to
the track at the inter-counties championships and won the 100 metres in 10.28sec.

"It's fun competing at events like these again," Christie said. This is where

In Madrid, Christie will be bidding to extend a record run of six 100 metres European Cup wins, as well as going for a fourth success at 200 metres, and said: "I'm sure we can finish in the top two again. It's a question of everyone pulling together. One or two points gained in some of our weaker events are just as important as the victories.

The Britain men's team won the competition in Gateshead in 1989 and has finished second every time since.

Beyond the European Cup. Christie refuses to look no further than a meeting that he will compete in at Nuremburg on June 7. Talk about whether he will bring down the curtain on his career by defending the Olympic 100 metres title in Atlanta remains taboo.

"I know what I'm doing up to Nuremburg," Christie said. "After that, God knows."

Jon Ridgeon will be returning to the Britain team for the first time in four years in Madrid and celebrated his selection with a hard-earned victory in the 400 metres hurdles in Cardiff. He withstood a strong challenge off the final barrier from Peter Crampton and held on to win in 49.87sec, the fastest time of his third comeback after four

Achilles operations. "I was amazed at the time," Ridgeon said. "It was hard going in the wind. I was climbing the hurdles."

Tessa Sanderson broke through the Olympic javelin qualifying mark again with a throw of 60.60 metres.

Germany expose **British frailties**

By Sydney Friskin

GREAT Britain were outmaneouvred by Germany, the Olympic champions. in the international hockey match at Milton Keynes yesterday despite producing an improved display in the second half. Having put behind them the resignation last week of David Whitaker, the coach, the British team set to the task of reconstruction. Their performance was competent and. resilient, but

The attack continued to show a lack of quality, al-though Garcia had one of his better games at inside right. In defence, too, Britain had cause for concern. Halls was not quite fit and was used only sparingly, leaving Wyatt and Soma Singh with extra burdens to carry.

at times.

uninspired.

Germany, too, had their problems. At least six of their first-choice players, including Klaus Michler, the captain, were left behind because of other commitments.

Volker Fried, a member of

the 1992 gold medal-winning team in Barcelona was called on to help in defence. Yet, despite their restrictions, the players showed a thorough understanding of one another. Britain conceded a soft goal from a short corner in the

fifteenth minute. Hesitation in

defence, between Luckes, the goalkeeper, and Soma Singh enabled Emmerling to score off the rebound. The home team had no luck, however. with their only short corner in the first half, although Germany seemed fortunate to have escaped punishment for a foot infringement in deflecting the shot by Giles at the top

of the circle. Britain launched into the second half with a reshuffled front line, with Mayer switched from outside left to the right wing and Hall taking over at centre forward from Robert Thompson. The best chance of the period fell to Nick Thompson, whose shot was saved by the goalkeeper. A shot by Giles from a short corner was stopped on the line

Though Germany lost some of their sting, they managed to increase the lead in the 64th minute. Waldhauser, a substitute, dashed in to score from a pass on the left by Gerke.

Four minutes from the end. Britain at least salvaged something when Shaw drove the ball in from a short corner. DATI IT ITOTI I STORT COTTIET.

GREAT BRITAIN: D Luckes (East
Grinstead), J Wyatt (Reading), Soma
Singh (Southgale), P MeGuire
(Teddington), Kalbir Taldner (Carnock), S
Hazilat (Hourslow and Army), D Hadi
Gualdrad), R Garcia (Polo Culo Barceiora), R Thompson (Hourstow, capi), N
Thompson (Old Loughtoniars), C Mayer
(Carnock), Substitutes used: J Halls (Old
Loughtoniars), J Lee (Old Loughtoniars), (Carrock) Substitutes used: J Hetle (Old Loughtonians), J Lee (Old Loughtonians), J Shaw (Southquie), C Glee (Havari). GERMANY: C Reitz: C Blunck (capt), C Stengle: V Fred, M Green, C Mayerhôte: 8 Gerbe, B Emmering, B Michol, O Domke. C Bechmann, subs used: K Hollensterner, M Waldhauser, F Germrig
Umpires: G Perez and M Grusin (both France)

Grounds for hope

JANE Swinnerton-lons, the England women's hockey team manager, drew encouragement from what she considered to be an improved performance in the 2-0 defeat by Argentina at Lilleshall on Saturday - England's second defeat at the hands of the World Cup silver medal-winners in two days. England had lost only I-0 at

Lilleshall on Friday, but Swinnerton-lons said after the match on Saturday: "It was a great improvement on the first game. We knew we had to get stuck in and work hard against such a talented squad. We created some chances and

conceded fewer corners and they certainly didn't have as many shots on goal as they did in the first match." Magdalena Aicega, the de-

fender, beat Carolyn Reid, the England goalkeeper, with a stinging penalty corner drive after 12 minutes on Saturday and, seven minutes later, Karina Masotta raced through the England defence to set up an easy chance for Luciano Aymar, the teenaged Argentina forward, to make it

England also had chances, with Jane Smith, of Ipswich, spurning their best opportuni-



Prospect of stirring Graf-Seles final dominates women's singles interest in Paris

Surface and draw threaten Sampras dream

FROM DAVID MILLER

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THE Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) may huff and puff in their ongoing rivalry with the International Tennis Federation (ITF), yet the grand-slam events, the bedrock of the ITF's existence, retain their pre-eminence. The French Open, which begins here today, is as glorious a tennis occasion as it ever was in the prime of Lenglen and the four musketeers.

Contrary to what some agents would have us believe. the four grand-slam tournaments remain bigger than the players, never mind the millions that they may earn elsewhere on the dollar roundabout. Only winning a grandslam event truly establishes a player. Ask Thomas Muster, the defending French Open men's singles champion.

If the players are truthful, they will admit that Melbourne, Paris, Wimbledon and New York are paramount in their ambitions: for the thrill, for the recognition by both peers and public, and not least for the opening of com-mercial doors hitherto marked

Pete Sampras, though less than fit and facing the probability of slow clay courts which are unhelpful to his game, is desperate to join the pantheon of those who have won all four grand-slam events by succeeding here for the first time. It means as much to him as trying to win Wimbledon did to Ivan Lendl. Sampras begins today against one of the least accommodating of opponents, Magnus Gustafsson, the Swede ranked No 33 in the

How much it matters to Muster, ranked second, the No 2 seed and with a 97-3 winloss record on clay, was apparent from his withdrawal from a tournament in Austria last week with an alleged ankle injury. Nobody with a bad ankle would be practising seriously again within 48 hours as Muster was at Roland Garros.

He admitted yesterday that the twist did not occur when taking his full weight and decidedly unworried about his first-round meeting tomorrow with Frederick

Despite official statements that she would not make a decision until yesterday, Mon-ica Seles had notified the organisers on Friday that she was fit to play, whatever the state of the shoulder problem that kept her out of action after

winning the Australian Open. Seles, like Muster, wants to win here, for the fourth time, at least in part to exorcise the lingering anguish over her stabbing in Hamburg three years ago. To beat Steffi Graf, four times previously champion and the innocent, indirect provocateur of the attack by a crazed German follower, would doubly gratify Seles, who succumbed to Graf in last

year's US Open final. A stirring Graf-Seles final would uplift the women's game at a time when there is minimal threat to the top four. the other members of which



Sampras, with a difficult first-round opponent in Gustafsson to overcome, needs victory in the French Open to complete a full house of grand-slam titles



Muster: unworried

are Conchita Martinez and Arantxa Sánchez Vicario. That is why the withdrawal of the exciting Chanda Rubin, the 20-year-old from Louisiana who was a quarter-finalist here last year after defeating Jana Novotna, is more disappointing than that of Boris Becker, also injured. The top flight of the men's game is 20deep, the women's barely ten.

Graf yesterday sauntered through her one-set practice match on the charity day, marred by grey skies and occasional rain. Beaten in Rome by the tecnager, Martina Hingis - "my worst form in years" - Graf recovered to win the German Open.

O'housidy (Russ) v (7) J Courier (US).

(3) A Agassi (US) v J Disz (Spi): C Woodruf (US) v V Spadea (US); T Crempion (Fr) v S Stolle (Aus); F Dewulf (Be) v J Bjorhman (Swe); N Kusi (Swe) v T Woodbridge (Aus); M Philippoussis (Aus) v A Voltov (Russ); T Carbonell (Sp) v T B Sawy (Epypt); S Noszały (Hun) v (13) R Kralicek (Hol); (12) A Costa (Spi) v F Medgeni (Br); J Van Henck (Be) v F Clavet (Spi): T Henman (GB) v K Goossans (Be); A Chesnokov (Russ) v G Forget (Fr); D Dier (Ger) v F Merniffra (Spi); M Woodbride (Aus) v A Conetia (Spi): H Leconte (Fr) v T J charrason (Swe); G Blanco (Spi) v (S) Y Kafelnikov (Russ).

Yesterday she looked slim and relaxed; so fit, she reflected, in

the light of her past troubles.

One marvels at the outward

equanimity which hides the

pain of her father's arrest on

taxation charges. At 26, she retains a charming freshness, almost an innocence. She now

deserves happiness rather

her comments yesterday about the possibility of meet-

There was an openness in

than success.

that it almost worries her.

(B) T Enqvist (Swe) v R Reneberg (US);
C Pioline (Fr) v J Frana (Arg); A
Berasstegut (Sp) v M Tebbut (Aus); H
Dreekmann (Ger) v C Ruud (Nor); F
Fontang (Fr) v F Ruu (Fr); S Peccositio
(It) v P Korde (Cc); J Kroslek (Sovalda) v J
Stothenberg (Aus); M Joyce (US) v (S) M
Rios (Chle); (15) M Stich (Ger) v P
Frechlasson (Swe); G Doyle (Aus) v G
Rusedski (GB); D Norman (Bel) v M
Knowles (Beh); M Tilistrom (Swe) v C
Costs (Sp); A Volnes (Rom) v M Goeliner
(Ger); S Schalles (Holl) v D Vacek (Cz); M
Ondruska (SA) v G Solves (Fr); F
Fetterlein (Den) v (2) T Muster (Austrie)

The torments within Seles's

(Cro): C Martinez (Sp) v E Callens (Bol): A-G Sidot (Fr) v R Zrubsicove (Slovetka): A Grossman (US) v Y Kemió "Lispan): N Dechy (Fr) v J Huzarova (Slovetka): F Liber (Arg) v A Serra-Zanetti (Iti; N Zverava (Belo) v D Van Roost (Bel): F Liber (Iti) v C Provek (Ger): A Sugiyerna (Japan) v [14]: A Coetzer (SA): (B) L Davenpor (LIS) v P Perfetti (Iti; M Endo "Lipen") v Park Surg-hee (S Kor): M Weddel-Wilmeyer (US) v Y Besuki (Indo): L Courtos (Bel) v M J Galdeno (Arg): L Wid (US) v R Hasid (Jepan): S Cocchril (It) v M McGreth (US): T Jecmenica (Yug) v S Hack (Ger): A Carlsson (Swe) v (7) K Date (Jepan). ing Seles. "We've both been time onto vivid red clay, with struggling with injury ... all the memories of leaving it hopefully, we'll both do well. in Hamburg, and how she hoped the happier memories of Paris would be therapeutic. She is postponing until after I'll be looking forward to playing her again. I know how difficult it is with injuries . . . I the US Open the probability of a shoulder operation, the injuhope she'll be able to play

head are as severe, maybe service action, though not her worse. After withdrawing on ground strokes. Does anyone know what is Friday from Madrid, her first in André Agassi's head? Even tournament since Australia, she talked of the emotional Agassi? He was booed offstrain of returning for the first court in Monte Carlo for a

sloppy performance. Earlier, declining to appear for the Cup in Prague — where they lost — he was to be seen instead at a soft drinks sponsor's advertising launch in London. Commercial prudence determined for Agassi that he needed Wimbledon more than Wimbledon needed him, yet so erratic has his behaviour become that there must be doubt how long he

will retain his No 3 ranking



and his reputation. The

French Open champion in 1990 and 91, he opens today against Jacobo Diaz, of Spain. Another match catching the eye today features Javier Sánchez, of Spain, against Sergi Bruguera, the champion of 1993 and 1994, now ranked 23, unseeded here, and prospectively offering an uncomfort-able second round for

Sampras. Britain's young hope, Tim Henman, plays his first French Open match against Kris Goosens, of Belgium, ranked 48 places below him, while Greg Rusedski meets a qualifier, Grant Doyle, of

this year - for the last two

months he has been occupied

with the World Cup series

which he won in 1995 - Obree

agreed that his form was just a

little short of what he had hoped for in that he had

improved by only two seconds

tweeking but otherwise it was fine" he said. "I scheduled for

The bike needs a little

since February.

Funnell follows familiar path to victory

By JENNY MACARTHUR

PIPPA FUNNELL gained her second successive win at the Windsor international horse trials yesterday after leading from start to finish on Marsh land Rubio. The seven-year-old son of Dutch Gold incurred five penalties yesterday in the disappointingly small final showjumping phase but still finished five points ahead of the runner-up. Sam Moore, of Ireland, riding " Culnagrew.

Jeanette Breakwell, 22, who has just started riding for the "11 Lawrence David event team" near Peterborough, held on to !third place with a polished clear round on Rain Dancer.

Despite Funnell's comfortable victory, she was disap- " pointed to have incurred five penalties on both her horses at the same fence in the all showjumping fence nine, a is parallel over a water ditch. 12 Told by the international intrainer, Dick Stillwell, that she was "too floaty" three strides out from the fence on her first ride, Rainbow Magic - on which she went on to finish '15 sixth - she was determined ": not to make the same mistake on Marshland Rubio. When the same fence fell again, she "" was told by her husband, William Funnell, the interna-"5": tional showjumper, that this time she had helped the horse and too much.

"It was just frustrating not?" to end with a clear round." 🖰 Funnell, a perfectionist, said. i' That apart, Funnell, 27, com- · * pleted four days of superb · · competition in which she con-firmed Marshland Rubio and '-Rainbow Magic as two of the most talented young horses in

the sport. Jonquil Hemming (née Sainsbury), who thought her tive Rain, would never compete in another three-day event after injuring a tendon. comfortably won the national section having led from the

Hemming, who is director of riding at Stonor School, near Bath, had not competed in a three-day event with 13-year-old gelding since finishing second at Osberton in 1989. "He had leg problems and then my father was very ill, so he was just put out in the field," Hemming

In the junior section. Tom Robinson, a 17-year-old Stowe schoolboy, also led from the start to finish on California Boy to win by a 10.4 point margin.

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Selectors heartened by changes

BY DAVID RHYS JONES

WHEN they relegated no fewer than six of last year's international squad to the Possibles for yesterday's outdoor bowls trial at New Lount, Leicestershire, the England selectors made it clear they were intending to make

changes. England, after 11 victories in 12 attempts, saw Wales take the British Isles team title at Llanelli last summer. Sensing that there must be places available, the challengers got stuck into their task yesterday, Richard Moses opening up a 10-2 lead against Andy Thomson after seven ends, and Danny Denison powering to a 21-5 lead after 14 ends against

John Bell. Both Bell and Thomson returned from the world outdoor championships in Australia last month wearing gold medals, and they showed their character in the second half, Thomson eventually winning 17-14 and Bell reducing his deficit to a modest five shots at 23-18. That was the Probables' only defeat, as the putative

England team emerged with a convincing 134-88 victory.
The day's most imaginative experiment did not quite come off: Stuart Airey, a 23-year-old Cumbrian, was given his chance to upset the sitting tenant, David Ward, at skip, but failed to do so, and will probably revert to his accustomed position as Tony Allcock's second man.

Denison, who played superbly to beat Bell, must be in the running to win his first cap, having dispatched Allcock in last year's trial

Prospects look bleak for Wynne Richards, an England regular since 1982. Previously Andy Thomson's third man, he was picked to skip in the Possibles, and went down, 29-10, to another world gold medal-winner, David Cutler.

Les Lions are tamed by Alcatel

By JOHN WATSON

THE final of the polo season's first high-goal tournament, for the Prince of Wales Trophy, was played off on the Royal Berkshire Club's No I ground at Winkfield yesterday. In a six-chukka encounter of exceptional speed and ferocity. Alcatel, who are put together by the Canadian player, John William Manconi, beat Joe Gottschalk's Les Lions 9-8.

Both teams aggregated handicaps of 22. Each was privoted on a ten-handicap Argentine, Ernesto Trotz for Les Lions, Picci Alberdi for Alcatel, and supported by an eight-handicap No 2, Trotz by Cody Forsyth, of New Zealand, Alberdi by Gabriel Donoso, of Chile.

Les Lions went into a twogoal lead in the fifth chukka. after the scores were level at 4-4 at half-time, until, in the last. Southwell, who was playing appreciably above his modest three handicap, put in a goal for Alcatel from a snappy pass from Alberdi, that made

After an infringement by Gottschalk, Donoso converted a 60-yarder, but that was answered by a goal from the open by Gottschalk himself to make it 8-8. The winning goal was smacked home by Gabri-

TEAMS: Alossel: 1 J W Manconl. 2 G Donoso (6), 3 P Alberd. (10), Back T Southwell (3). Les Llons: 1 J Gottschalk (0), 2 C Forsyth (8), 3 E Trotz (10), Back N

Kitchin sinks Oldham on final kick

Broncos live on their nerves that, in box

office terms, they are never less than full

streaking up the left touchline for his

second try in the 78th minute.

For the hour that they were without

Cochrane, sent off for a reckless chall-

enge on Barrow, the remaining 12

players led Warrington twice. A try by

Shaw dragged them level for a second

time, but Barwick missed a conversion

and the home side sensed their chance.

Roper had opened his side's account with

a blistering score and ended it equally

The Broncos' disappointment was

Oldham Bears ... Workington Town 29

By Christopher Irvine

YET another Lazarus-like recovery in the Stones Super League brought Workington Town a first win. Unrestrained joy among the strag-gle of visiting supporters greeted an injury-time penalty by Kitchin to complete their comeback from 16 points down in the first half at Watersheddings yesterday. Workington remain fixed to the bottom but are now level

on points with Halifax Blue Sox, and, extraordinarily, Leeds's visit to Cumbria in a fortnight could, even at so early a stage, dictate which of the three sides most at risk is

By Christopher Irvine

ST HELENS can reopen a four-point

gap at the top of the rugby league Stones Super League when Castleford visit

tonight. Wigan, in second place, resume

normal business, after their union en-counter with Bath at Twickenham on

Saturday, when they take on Sheffield Eagles at home on Wednesday. The battle for power outside the

leading two now centres on Bradford

Bulls and Warrington. Both have the

youth and potential to mount a challenge

to the Wigan-St Helens duopoly; if not

London Broncos might be higher than

fifth place if their appetite for navigating

tightropes did not end in so many

tumbles. They took another at Warring-

ton, going down 28-24 in a fluctuating

this season, then probably next.

relegated. Ross O'Reilly. Workington's Australian coach, said his side were "outenthused" before the break. After it, Oldham found themselves out-played, at one point by 12 opposition players, when they conceded two tries and entirely lost the plot of what looked to be a routine victory. There was no hiding Andy Goodway's anger or embarrassment. The Oldham coach

asked: "How many ways can you find to lose a game?" With Phillips in the sinbin. and having had Marwood, their organiser at scrum half. carried off moments earlier. there seemed no way that Workington's persistence would be rewarded as the game entered the last quarter. However, they could not have hoped to meet a more compli-

ant defence than Oldham's. But there had been no hint of events to follow as the home side built a commanding lead. Workington were opened up at will in a six-minute spell, in which Belle, Clarke and Atcheson, ran in tries. Palmada's reply proved only a brief warning, before Belle scampered clear from Crompton's pass for his second try

and a 22-8 interval advantage.

Maloney's fourth and fifth goals for Oldham cancelled out one of the easier tries that Leigh Smith will score for Workington. However, the visitors sensed the opposition had wound down, and although numerically disadvantaged, they drove forward in the final 20 minutes.

Palmada, a galvanising force in the second row, was at

the heart of tries by Wallace and Filipo that levelled the scores when Oldham, themselves, were a player down with Munro in the sinbin. Crompton restored their lead briefly with a dropped goal. but Kitchin replied in kind and the match was heading for a draw when Oldham were penalised. Kitchin calmly popped over his third and

ry apparently affecting her

popped over his third and decisive goal.

SCOREPS: Oldham: Tries: Belle (2), Clarke, Atcheson. Goels: Meloney (5). Dropped goel: Crompton. Workingtor. Tries: Palmada, L. Smith, Wallace, Filipo. Goals: Menwood (3), Kacrin (3). Dropped goel: Kerin.

OLDHAM BEARS: P Atchesort, R Myler, D Abram, A Patmore, A Belle; F Meloney, M Crompton; I Gidset, J Clarke, J Temu, J Felmsie, M Murro, G Lord. Substitutes: P Davidson, I Smoratt, P Topping, J Coven. WORKINGTON TOWN: P Lives: M Wellece, P Panrice, J Allen, L Smith: W Kharin. D Merwood: C Armstrong, P McKenzie, R Prilipe, J Peirnsde, S Holgate, B Narn. Substitutes: P Burns, M Bethweise, L Filipo, J Smith.

Bryan Steel, runner-up last St Helens aim to maintain leading edge

aggravated by anger at alleged foul play encounter on Saturday. It is because the that went unchecked by the referee. Their management team is to study video evidence and may cite two Warrington value. Their fingertips, however, are not up to the strain. On Saturday they dropped one too many passes and another game they might have won disappeared in a flash, Jon Roper

players. After a month on the road, they

will be glad to get back to The Valley to play Oldham game on Sunday. Paris Saint-Germain have suffered on their travels but Halifax Blue Sox, who see a chance to escape the relegation zone, could well make it an uncomfortable homecoming for them today.

Tommy Martyn will start his first game in a year for St Helens alongside Bobbie Goulding at half back, with Karl Hammond switching to loose forward. Castleford have numerous injury worries and include two new signings, Junior Paramore, the former Western Samoa rugby union forward, and David Chapman, an Australian back, in their squad.

Little encouragement for Obree's pursuers

By Peter Bryan After his first race in Britain

GRAEME OBREE, the world champion and record-holder, made a successful start to the defence of his British 4000 metres pursuit title at the national cycling champion-ships in Manchester yesterday on his new Hotta carbon fibre machine, which he had ridden for the first time only 24 hours He finished well ahead of

the other seven qualifiers, even though his opening two laps were spent getting used to the bike and obtaining maximum revs from his gear of 110 Obree's shaky start enabled

year, to take the lead. But it proved short-lived and after three laps (750 metres) the Flying Scot pulled ahead to finish in 4min 28.440sec, with Steel, by no means disgraced,



4min 30sec, deciding not to put the emphasis on a fast time, especially as I have been bothered with a sore throat." Before his ride, Obree had his throat sprayed by a doctor. The third-fastest qualifier, was Shaun Wallace, who was sufficiently keen to gain Olympic selection that he returned from the United States to press

his claims. Obree will meet Phil Collins, of Ireland, who was the slowest qualifer, nine seconds behind the champion, in the quarter-finals.

Steve Paulding, the defending sprint champion, went out 2-0 to Craig Percival, who was third last year, in the quarter-finals. Percival now meets Peter Jaques while Rob Darley and Craig MacLean will contest the other semi-final.

Wendy Everson won the first women's gold medal of the championships when she was again fastest in the 500 metres time-trial, recording 37.65sec to retain her title, holding off a challenge from Megan Hughes, a teenager, whose time was 38.407sec.

Spinning World stamps his mark

AT THE CURRAGH

SPINNING WORLD routed a strong contingent of British colts here yesterday to enter the record books as the first French-trained winner of the First National Building Society Irish 2,000 Guineas. It was a thoroughly convincing performance in rain-soaked ground that perfectly suited the son of Nureyev.

In contrast to the French equivalent, in which he just failed to catch Ashkalani after a troubled passage, Cash

2.000 RESULT

SPINNING WORLD (C Asmussen, 7-4 1, SPINNING WORLD (C Asmussen, 7-4 lay); 2, Rainbow Blues (C Roche, 50-1); 3, Beauchamp King (M J Kinana, 9-2) ALSO RAN, 3 Bijou D'Inde (4th), 10 Pharatom Quest (8th), 11 Tagula (5th), 12 Russian Revival, 14 Deed Of Love, 16 Musick House, 40 Flame Of Athens, 10 ran, 2, 13-1, 3, 11, 24-1, J Pease in France Tote: 12,60; 61 30, 66 40, 62 00. DF £36 80 CSF: £64 28, 1min 38,80sec.

World poised on the heels of the leaders soon after halfway. First Bijou D'Inde and then Rainbow Blues tried to stamp their authority on the one-mile classic, but Asmussen always had them covered. He and Spinning World could be named the winners fully two furlongs from the finish.

Spinning World has great potential. This was only his fourth outing and British racegoers should have the opportunity to assess him in the St James's Palace Stakes at Royal Ascot, his next intended target. Jonathan Pease, who trains Spinning World, is a realist, and accepts that the chestnut is bred to excel over a mile. Consequently, there will be no overtaxing the horse

over 12 furlangs.

Spinning World is one of 12 horses to come Pease's way on the death of François Boutin



The white-blazed Spinning World takes command in the Irish 2,000 Guineas at the Curragh yesterday

day, Stavros Niarchos, who owned and bred the colt, has also died. But it is fortunate that Maria Niarchos, the daughter of the Greek shipping tycoon, intends maintainthe fine bloodlines cultivated by the family.

Spinning World is a case in

his exploits yesterday places him at the forefront of threeyear-old milers in Europe. Bijou D'Inde, inched out in the 2.000 Guineas at Newmarket, could finish only fourth here. although the colt almost certainly floundered on the offi-

cially "yielding" ground. He

could not confirm his New-

market superiority over

Beauchamp King, who fin-ished third, 3½ lengths behind the winner. Pease, landing his second classic in four visits to Ireland, would not reflect unfav-

evolved, but at least it showed

ourably on Spinning World's defeat in the French classic two weeks earlier. "It was disappointing the way the race

him to be a good horse. He is

for wearing an unapproved skull cap, which took the gloss

Bahamian Knight triumphs in Rome

DAVID LODER, the Newmarket trainer, and jockey Richard Hughes gained their first classic victories when Bahamian Knight landed the group one £209,536 Derby Italiano (1m 4f) at the Capannelle.

final furlong, Bahamian Knight ran on strongly to beat Peter Chapple-Hyam's Backdrop by 14 lengths with Coral Reef three quarters of a length third.

Heron Island eleventh Bahamian Knight had finished last behind the Italian-owned Derby hope, Glory Of Dancer, in the Dante Stakes. The winning owner, Edward St George, said: "I would like to run him in either the English or Irish Derby."

now one of the better milers and one should never look

Willie Carson has decided not to appeal against the fiveday ban imposed on him by the Curragh stewards on Saturday. Carson was suspended

SANDOWN PARK

3.40 Struggler 4.10 WILCUMA (nap) 4,45 Zdenka 5.20 Prize Pupil

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 2.35 CONSORDINO (nap).

GUIDE TO OUR RACECARD

103 (12) 0-0432 G000 TBAES 74 (CO.B.F.F.G.S) (Mar. D Robertson) 8 Hall 9-10-0 . 8 West (4) 88

but Carson was not present at the time. This is the latest in an Receased number. Daze in brackets. Six-figure from 6 — lett. P — pulled up. U — presented index. 8 — supped up. R — retused. D — discondition). News 5 mans. Days since less unling. I if jumps. F if fiel. 18 — blinkers. V — woor H — brook. E — Spesifield. C — course witner D — disconde waters. CD unfortunate sequence to have blighted the jockey, who misses the ride aboard Bint Salsabil in the Oaks on June 7. Carson now faces a lengthy

become in latest race). Going on which horse has son (f — firm good to fam hard. 6 — grod. S — soit good to soit, heavy). Owner to brackets. Trainer Age and earphi. Rider plus any afterwance. The Times Private Handicapper's rating.

TOTE JACKPOT MEETING

2.00 Sketch Pad

235 Alpine Twist

3.05 Moonax

from his decisive victory in the Airlie Coolmore Irish 1,000

The medical officer at the

Curragh, Dr Walter Halley,

had warned British jockeys

about the new regulation,

introduced earlier this year.

absence from the saddle. To-

day sees him start a seven-day

suspension for his misjudging

the finish at Lingfield nine

days ago and it was unclear

for a long time yesterday

whether Carson would be

sidelined for the Derby on

June 8. His Lingfield suspen-

sion ends a week today, which,

coincidentally, marks the start

to treat Carson's latest offence under Irish Turf Club rules.

Carson's period of suspen-sions therefore ends on Derby

Matiya, who chased home

Bosra Sham in the British

equivalent, put up a flawless

display to forge clear of Dance Design and My Branch. She

now heads for the Prix de

Diane on June 9, the day after

Carson returns to the saddle.

Barry Hills, who trains My

Branch, felt the filly failed to

stay the trip and plans to drop

her back to seven furlongs for

However, the Jockey Club is

of his latest suspension.

LOOD RESULT

Guineas aboard Matiya.

DRAW: 5F, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

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2.00 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES

(2-Y-0: £3,818: 5f 6yd) (6 runners) DANCING DROP (M. Suhall) R. Harmon B-11 R. Hughes

ARSS CLONTEEN (T. Russign) M. Madgreck 8-11 J. Opino

MODASHINE GRIL (Sheed Maktourn At Maldouser) M. Steute 8-11. J. Rend

MODASHINE GRIL (Sheed Maktourn At Maldouser) M. Steute 8-11. J. Rend

Western PAGEANT (Mrs. R. Headerser) J. Spearing 8-11. J. Western

SKETCH PAD 13. (BF) (N. Abdulla) R. Crarlion 8-11 Pat Eddwy (8)

3. THERO PARTY 21 (Mrs. G. Scratth) S. Dow 8-11 S. Samdars 84. BETTIME: 5-4 States Part. 5-2 Moonstate Gut. 7-2 Dancing Brop. 5-1 Tord Party. 20-1 Gut Hiss Cloritess.

2.35 BONUSPHOTO FILLIES HANDICAP

(£8,635: 7(16yd) (7 runners) (1) 41/113- FOREST CAT 321 (CD.F.G.S) (G Ward) Mrs J Cecil 4-10-0 ... These 42 (5) 1014-01 PRESIDS CA 20 (D.F.G.S) (P Adams) R Harron 3-9-5 ... R Hughes 98 (3) 5-10 ALPRIC TWIST 21 (BF.S) (R Sangster J P Craphle-Hyan 3-8-12 ... J Flaid 97 (6) 54128-0 (ORSOTRIBO 4) (D.G.) (Shreith Mohammed) L Carram 3-8-11 ... M J Kinster 98 (2) 2-8-14 ARRIEDM JAME 21 (D.F.) (P Locke) J Gooden 3-8-10 ... Pat Eddary 91 (7) 312-303 SAND STAR 11 (D.G.) (Mrs T Brary) D Haydh Jones 4-8-6 ... P Robusson (8) 4100-6 PRIMA VOLTA 22 (6) (Boardroom Synth R Hamon 3-8-5 ... Daine TWISE (9) 99 (1) 14 June 15 (1) 14 June 15 (1) 14 June 16 (1) 14 June 17 (1) 15 BETTIME: 11-4 Agricon Jane, 3-1 Possels Ca, 5-1 Forest Cat, 6-1 Sand Star. Algune Toxis. 7-1 Consording, 19-1 Program Value.

1995: POREST CAT 3-3-5 L Deton (2-1 lav) Mrs J Cecil 9 ran FORM FOCUS

FOREST CAT 21 and short-head 3rd of 7 to Bouche Bee in heráicep at Menonantez (71, good la firm) PRENIOS CA beat React 1% in 13-runner handicap

handicap at Newmentel (71, good to ferm) AFRILEON LANE 61 4th of 10 to Trupan Real in handicap at Kempton (1m 11, good to Rong. SAND STAR 21 3rd of 14 to Morocco in handicap ... It Safebary (71 anned to form)

3.05 BONUSPRINT HENRY II STAKES (Group III: £25,120: 2m 78yd) (7 runners)

BETTEME: 2-1 Double Tragger, 3-1 Court Of Honour, Moorex, 7-1 Assessor, 8-1 Admiral's Well, 10-1 Bale 1995: DOUBLE TRIGGER 4-8-13 J Weater (5-4 lat) M Jokoston 7 rate

FORM FOCUS

DOUBLE TRIGGER best Gasy Shot bised in 7-names group IT Sugaro Sales at Ascot (2m 45yd, good to finis). COURT OF HONOUR 3%1 3nd of 5 to Classic Clicke in group IT Yorkshine Cap at York (1m 61, good to Sini). MODRAY short-head and ¼1 3nd of 9 to Spoot in group IT John Porter Sales at Newbury (1m 44, good to soft). Earlier short-head 2nd of 1 to Always Sanesi an group 1 Prot Du Cadran at Longchamp (2m 44, very soft) with DOUBLE TRIGGER (2b)

worse off) 5%1 4% and ADMRAL'S WELL 55% befor off) 8: 5%.
ASSESSOR 5%1 4% of 7 to Double Edigat in group if Pra Vacantiness Vigier at Longchamp (film 17 110m), very soff).
BAHARIAN SUBSINE 13/1 2nd of 2 to Prapality or conditions case at Kempton (1m. 54, popul to limit). WANNAPLANTATREE best bythosy-de-Surgesco 13/1 to 18-more handicap at Rampion (2m. 5000) selection. COURT OF HONOUR

3.40 TRIPLEPRINT TEMPLE STAKES

(Group it: £37,595: 5t 6yd) (10 runners) BETTRIC: 7-2 Woodszough, 4-1 Cool Jazz, 5-1 Lucky Loost, 11-2 Mind Garnes, 7-1 Struggler, Fairy Mind, 8-1 The Puzzler, 10-1 others.

1995; MRKD GAMES 3-8-8 J Carroll (10-11 fav) J Berry 5 ran

FORM FOCUS

COOL JAZZ best LUCKY LIDNEL (1th worse off)
%I in 11-moner group iii Palace House Sales at
Americanis (St. good to limz) with STRUGGLER 11
ath and DOUBLE DUCK (5th worse off) PASI 81.
Earlier 41 7th of 12 to Herer Boff Rose in group i
Pix de L'Abbaye at Longchamp (St. sall) with
MRID GAMES (Sib worse off) 145 8th.
ESPARTERO 154 3rd of 11 to Madly Sharp in
beneficia at Memmatrie (61 good to limn).
STRUGGLER best Lucky Palas 31/4 in 7-moner
conditions race at Beverley (St. good to fam). THE

PLZZLER head and 15/4 3rd of 6 to Hard To Rigne
In conditions lack at Kempton (62, good).
ARRY W88D best Bowe Edge 161 in 15-mateur
handscap at York (51 good to fam).
LEAP FOR JOY rose 2nd of 8 to Improvedible in
listed race at Small 161 to Venture Capitalist in 12number group ii Dute Of York Stales at York (61,
good to fam) with W000BOROUGH (hampered,
2h better off) %I 5th.
Selection: M880 GAMES

4.10 DOUBLEPRINT WHITSUN CUP (Rated handicap: £15,782: 1m 14yd) (14 runners)

BETTREC: 9-2 Hammerstern, 5-1 Cool Edge, 6-1 Chief Burundi, 7-1 Desan Green, 8-1 Beauchemp Jazz, Royal Philosopher, 10-1 others.

1995: DANCE TURN 4-9-3 M HIDs (100-30) R Amistrong B rain FORM FOCUS

CHEF BURILMON beat Dawns 21/61 in 8-rumner matden at Thirsk (1m, good to firm). BEAUCHAMP JUZZ 71/61 bith of 9 to Luso in Earl Of Selmo Salans at Newsparter (1m 11, good to firm). DESERT GREEN beat Clan Ben 3/61 in 13-rumer handleap at Kewsplon (1m, good to firm). HOH EXPRESS 47/61 bith of 13 to Might City in learning at Newsplon (1m (1s, still) with DARYABAD (4sh beder off) 47/61 11/61 and GRAND DU LAC (4th beder off) 51 12/6.

ROYAL PHE OSOPHER heat COOL EDGE (18) worse off) 21 in 20-month handcap at Newbory (1m. good to solf) on peraltimate start, with JAWAAL (11th better off) 111 8h. WILCUMA (95) better off) 17 9th and HOM EXPRESS (11th better off) 71 150.

HAMMERSTEIN short-head 2nd to L'Arni Losis in 5-month conditions race at Thirst (1m. good to firm)

Selection: BEALICHAMP JAZZ

4.45 FAMILY DAY OUT HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,916: 7f 16yd) (11 runners)

(3-Y-O: £3,916: 7f 16yd) (11 runners)

601 (11) 15286- PLAYMAKER 213 (5) (Lostoro Manor Stad) M. Jarvis 9-7 Pat Eddary 90

602 (6) 5-430 MENDO HAL BATAL 20 (Armed A Maldoum) M. Stodie 9-4 M. J. Kinane, 97

603 (10) 04120-0 8706/fr0x R001 44 (D.S.) C. Sarpood (6 884do 9-3 5 Sandore 97

604 (4 62-0 APACNE LEN 25 (E Talano) R. Hannon 9-2 Diano O'Neil (3) 91

605 (3) 032505- STOP PLAY 205 (6) (Mark Tompkins Racing) M. Tompkins 8-13. P. Robbason 9-1

606 (6) 23525-0 ZICHERA 11 (J. Other) M. Blanstand 8-4 J. Dahrey 90

607 (8) 22525-0 ZICHERA 11 (J. Other) M. Blanstand 8-4 J. Dahrey 90

608 (1) 1005-53 WIL-FLIL LAD 11 (F) (D. Cardoly) M. Mesole 8-2 J. Carroll 69

610 (2) 40-43 SIPERIOR FORCE 16 (Copyforce Lift) Miss B. Sandors 8-1 G. Hind 90

611 (5) 350- JAMES GRIL 237 (J. Barrell) K. Burke 7-13. W. Sipplin 89

BETTING: 9-2 Memon Hel Batal, 5-1 Playmaker, 6-1 Wilfull Lad, 7-1 Farmost, 8-1 Brighten Road, Superior Force: 10-1 Stop Play, 12-1 others. 1885: SCHARWHORST 8-4 M Roberts (7-1) S Dow 16 ran

(£4,189: 1m 21 7yd) (14 runners)	
1 (14) 36-0204 NOBLE SPRINTER 10 (B,F) (Gastrainer) R. Hannon 4-10-0	
13 (7) 80-800 SAYTAGAM 28 (Technical Standards) J. Lendon 4-8-4 Denc O'Neill (3) 89 14 (13) 00000-3 BANGETA 10 (5 O'Route) May Standards J. Lendon 4-8-4 Denc O'Neill (3) 89	
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BETTING: 4-1 Proton, 5-1 Domitia, 6-1 Prize Pupil, 8-1 Noble Sprinter, 10-1 Solicher Man Albano, 47 4 Bull-land	•

1995; DUTOSKY 5-8-2 D Biggs (11-2) A O'Sullivan 11 rao

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TRAINERS D Lader of Jarvis J Gosden Lady Herries J Spearing I Bakking	Wins 7 5 20 7 3 16	Rnrs 26 22 96 34 15 86	26.9 22.7 20.8 20.6 20.0 18.5	JOCKEYS Pat Eddary Int J Klasne J Wester G Hind J Reid No other spatishers	Wirners 50 8 6 3 16	Rides 247 46 43 30 160	% 20.7 17.4 14.0 10.0

Dismissed fared best of the other four British runners, finishing seventh. Flyfisher was eighth, Babinda tenth and Rome, yesterday. Striking the front approaching the

SANDOWN PARK

CHANNEL 4

2.35: Prends Ca put up her performance when weaving her way throught to win at Chester, but this is more competitive and she will struggle from a 6lb higher mark. The lightlyraced Forest Cat, last year's winner, remains fairly treated and can stage a repeat. The main danger is Consording, who travelled well for a long way on her reappearance, and will improve for

3.05: Double Trigger made a winning reappearance when gamely beating Grey Shot by a head at Ascot. He is likely to make the running here. but will be vulnerable to the finishing kicks of Moonax and Court Of Honour. Preference is for Peter Chapple-Hyam's colt, who shaped as though this trip would suit when a staying on third to Classic Cliche and Strategic

2.00 Bowled Over. 2.30 Ma Petite Anglaise. 3.00 Don't Forget Shoka. 3.30 Quintus Decimus. 4.00

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 4.00 Strazo.

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT

DRAW: 5F-1M, HIGH NUMBERS BEST

(£3.667: 1m 4f 23yd) (7 runners)

2.00 ST ARVANS MAIDEN STAKES

2.30 ST ATHAM FILLIES HANDICAP

(£3,576: 1m 4f 23yd) (13)

ARTIC BAY 30J Mrs P Duffield 4-9-12.

A PICES T J. Lord Hydrisgotin 4-9-7 Airnee Cook (7) 7
45-0 BOLD CLASSIC 18 J Duniop 3-8-9 W J O'Cocnor 6
-203 BOWLED OYER 20 C Cyez 3-8-9 B Transion 5
24-3 JYUSH 28 H Thomson Jones 3-8-9 R Hists 5
04 POMPIER 10 J Duniop 3-8-9 A MicGinen 1
ROYAL COURT P Chapple-Hyarn 3-8-9 R Hawlin (5) 2

1 0-03 MP PETITE AVIGA SE 14 (F.G) W Jarvis 4-10-0 ... R Hiller 13 2 43-0 SHET AGAIN 19 (F) S Sherwood 4-9-5 ... 8 Tourson 2 3 2-00 GREEN LAND 10 (I) F.G. S WHEATS 4-9-5 ... W J O'Connor 6 4 6604 ELLY P LEETFOOD 78 (G) M Hyan 4-9-4 ... M Baird (G) 9 5 4-10 ROURDINTAINE 19.1 (D,S) W Main 5-9-3 ... R Horistin (S) 8 6 310 WHITE SEA 219 (S) P Cybe 3-8-13 ... David O'Reali (7) 5 7 040 SHALATEENO 11 M Channes 3-8-7 ... P P Marphy (S) 12 8 5024 UNCHARTED WATERS 7 (D,S) C Cybe 5-8-7 ... R Price 7 4-00 TRANICY FRAN 3D P Adobtion 4-8-4 ... Darren Mortes (S) 4 10 A9-0 FURTURES COURSE 11 J King 7-8-4 ... A MicBoon 11 11 0-15 ASTEY HELL 10 (D,F) R Rome 5-8-1 R Sortis (7) 10

11 0-15 ASRBY HALL 10 (DLF) R Home 5-5-1 N Sortia (7) 10
12 /24- DALLY SPORT GRIL 24J (6) B Llemblyn 7-7-10
Anthony Bond (7) 1
13 50-0 FRO 55 T Naughton 3-7-10 N Adams 3

3-1 Ma Patita Angleise, 5-1 Daily Sport Girl, White Sec. 6-1 Studiacemo, 7-1 Ashby Hill, 8-1 Unchaded Waters, 10-1 Routostaloe, 12-1 others.

BAPALA W G M Tunner 8-11 R Havin (5) 2
045 NATTE 17 A Norozanha 8-11 A McCione 4
0 RONS REVENCE 14 M Ryan 8-11 Mais Baird (5) 3
0552 DOINT FORRET SHOKA 16: J Moore 8-8 W J D'Connor 1
0 HEAVENLY MESS 48 B Pating 8-6 R Hills 5

6-4 Don't Forget Shota, 9-4 Mattie, 3-1 Impala, 9-2 Heavenly Miss, 86-1 Floris

3.00 DARLOWS SELLING STAKES

(2-Y-0: £2,276: 61 16yd) (5)



TODAY'S RACES ON TELEVISION

Choice at York. Moonax ran well over an inadequate 12 miles at Newbury last month, but does not always

look entirely genuine. 3.40: Mind Games, with the advantage of a high draw, will make a bold bid to make all the running. However, further rain would count against him. Woodborough looked unlucky at York last time, but is poorly drawn and may need further. It could be worth taking a chance with Double Quick, who is at her

best when tucked in behind a

3.30 ST JOHN LIMITED STAKES

5-2 Xenophon Df Curaza, 3-1 Catzy Chief, 4-1 Hilteria, 5-1 Quintus Decimus, 7-1 Moscon Misi, Northern Celation, 10-1 others.

Of ALEZ PABLO 970 R Rose 6-9-10 R Senith (7) 7
BANNORTHY LORD 20J C Poptum 5-9-10 P P Murphy (5) 2
MGLOMANNAT YEARDON 4-9-10 R Adems 3
045 BATTLE SPARK 9 C 02cm 3-8-12 R Ptico 5
03 EFFECTUAL 14 J Yoller 3-8-72 R Mac 600 MOJAN WOLF 14 P Murphy 3-8-12 B Thomson 1
5 STRAZO 10 J Gosden 3-8-12 B Thomson 1

Prens Stram, 7-4 Battle Spart, 5-1 Ellectual, 12-1 Molamania, 16-1 Baprorthy Land, 66-1 Ingian Wolf, Allar Pablo.

E3,849: 61 16/rd) (11)

1 0213 NITHASH 9 (D.F.G) D Haydo Jones 4-9-10 Anthony Bond (7) 10
2 -005 SALLY SLADE 23 (F.B.S) C Oper 4-9-10 — R Hills 2
3 -000 TINICEN OSIMASTON 16 (C.D.F.S) M Saunders 5-9-5. R Price 8
4 4410 PATSY GRIMES 9 (D.F.G.S) J Moons 6-9-4. W J O'Connor 6
5 624 LOOSE TALK 45 (DF) W James 3-8-8. — M McGimus 4
6 180- ITSINTHEPOST 167 (D.G) V Seass 3-8-7. — P P Marphy (5) 5
7 36-6 MPS MCGAOGER 63 B Smart 3-9-5 — R Haydo (5) 7
8 -600 CMARLTON MP 14 R Hodges 3-8-3. — B Thomson 11
9 000- RAMBOLD 217 (C.D.F.G) M User 3-8-9. — Darren Moffalt (3) 8
10 -005 LOUSSILE BELLE 8 (D.F.G) M User 7-9-0 — M Adams 3
11 0046 MAY OWERN MEGAN 18 Mcs 4 King 3-7-10. — M Bahd (3)

CHEPSTOW: Trainment J Goadea, 6 winners from 21 runners, 28.6%; P Chapple-Hyan, 9 from 35, 25.7%; W Javis, 3 from 12, 25.0%; P Walvin, 5 from 22, 22.7%; D Adurboot, 5 from 29, 17.2%; A Alchanat, 4 from 26, 15.4%; Juckays, R Pills, 3 winners from 20 nides, 15.0%; A McGinea, 4 from 31, 12.9%; R Price, 4 from 37, 10.9%. No other qualifiers.

4.00 ST BRIAVELS MAIDEN STAKES

4.30 ST BRIDES FILLIES HANDICAP

(£3,735: 1m 14yd) (8)

(£3,712: 1m 14yd) (7)

at Newmarket, and is worth an each-way interest at around 20-1. Struggler had a confidence-boosting win at Beverley last week and looks best of the remainder. 4.10: Hammerstein and Chief Burundi have plenty of po-

tential, but are likely to start at unrealistically short prices. Cool Edge has im-proved with each run this year, his only defeat coming at Newbury when runner-up to Royal Philosopher. He is allowed only a pound for a two-length beating there, but Royal Philosopher has disappointed since and there should be little between the pair. However, Wilcuma, who finished ninth in the Newbury race, should offer better value. He needed the run there and can gain the day with his strong finish.

ROBERT WRIGHT

Court Of Honour appeals THUNDERER strong pace. She raced up the unfavoured centre of the track when behind Cool Jazz

2.20 Maid By The Fire. 2.55 I'm A Nut Man. 3.25 Blaze Of Song. 3.55 Dispol Gem. 4.25 Lawful Find. 4.55 Cliburnel News. 5.25 Ansellman. Our Newmarket Correspondent:

GOING: GOOD TO SOFT DRAW: NO ADVANTAGE SIS 2.20 LIONESS MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES

(2-Y-0: £3,482: 5t 218yd) (7 runners) O BLUEBGLI MESS 5 M Ryan 8-11 _______
CARBBEAN STAR M Stode 8-11 ______
LEY JAQUES P Cale 8-11 ______
2 MAID BY THE FIRSE 8 P Cale 8-11 ______
MARRA DI CASTIGLIA R Harron 8-11 _____
5 MY BELOVED 9 R Harron 8-11 ______
SAL 5-2 Mard By The Fire, 3-1 Cartobean Star, 4-1 Maria & Castiglia, 5-1 Lify Jaques, 8-1 My Beloved, 10-1 Bluebell Miss, Salahatra

2.55 ANSTEY SELLING HANDICAP (£2,910: 1m 1f 218yd) (19)

13 00-0 NABJELSEDR 25 (S) A Newcombe 6-8-12 D Biggs 17 14 6069 SHUTTLECOCK 33 (G,S) Ms N Nacartry 5-8-12 J Tate 19 15 6060 SPEEDY SWAPS PRIDE 3 (B) P Cuntel 4-8-11

3.25 ROTHMANS ROYALS NORTH SOUTH CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP (£5,848: 1m 8yd) (6)

1 10-0 BLAZE OF SONG 31 (D.A.S) R Hannon 4-10-0 ... R Perham 3 2-3.1 REEGLIBAT S2 (D.F) L Cummi 3-9-5 ... W Ryan 1 3 2-62 CLASSIC LEADER 20 (BF) R Hards 3-8-13 ... A Mackey 2 4 0-40 DISTRICTION 25 (S.S.) M Ryan 4-8-11 ... D Biggin 6 5-530 RICUSHAN 6 J. O'Shea 3-8-10 ... J Tate 5 6 60-0 LINCLE SECREE 22 (F) M Tomptims 3-8-4 N Day 4 4-6 Freegoant, 7-2 Classic Leader, 5-1 Blaze Of Soog. 10-1 Duffertoes, Uncle George. 16-1 Rousban.

3.55 MARKET BOSWORTH MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £3,003: 1m 8yd) (8)

0- AMADOUR 241 P Nitchel 9-0 0544 DISPOL GEM 21 6 Oktroyd 8-9 D LUCKY BESONIA 22 C Alien 8-9

Sens Henry Island, 9-4 Blurrad, 8-7 Assarbus, Dispot Gam, 10-1 The Great Flood, 12-1 Spenor Spillong, 14-1 Others. 4.25 LOUGHBOROUGH CLAIMING STAKES

(2-Y-0: £2,734: 5f 218yd) (8) 2 324 SPONDULICUS 17 R Hamons 9-3 SWhitmorth 3
3 01 JUST LOSE 18 (6) W 6 M Tunner 9-11 R Perham 4
4 600 SPRESATRE 24 C Dayer 8-9 Strovens (3) 7
5 160 PRICHAPITING EVE 19 (6) C Allen 8-6 Sono Wands (7) 6
6 0132 LAWRIL RRO 9 (6) R Hollinghand 8-5 Sono Wands (7) 2
7 LIFE'S A ROAR C Dayer 8-5 A Wholten (3) 2
8 TUP TITTER A Foster 8-2 J Tahs 8
8-4 Auto Traveller, 3-1 Just Loui, 9-2 Spondulicts, 5-1 Lawful Firel. 10-1
Gresstre, 12-1 Enchanding Bre, 14-1 others.

4.55 TIGERS APPRENTICES HANDICAP

1 2855 CLBURRIEL NEWS 20 (CD.F.G) A Streeter 6-10-0 D Deirby (3) 1 2 -050 Ball AK 12 J J Herris 49-13 J Williason (3) 6 3 -001 RBSPGHTRS 9 (D.F.G.S) B Book 7-9-9 J Iona Wests 3 4 005- ROCK THE BAPRICY 203 (C.D.F.G) P Burgoyne 7-9-8

5-1 Cilbarael News, 6-1 Greystyle, Pirelighter, 8-1 Rock The Berney, Jean De Pionelle, Housqua River, 10-1 Wolfacharables, 12-1 others, 5.25 GROBY HANDICAP (£3,948: 5t 218yd) (11)

8 AOD MILITAN 31 5 L Moore 4-8-5 S Withhorite 9 9 3450 SR TASKER 10 (D.F.6) J L Hards 8-8-3 . A Clark 11 10 1204 MAYRAMK 18 (D.BF.6) B Makishon 4-8-3 . L Reston (5) 10 110 0500 ERESAT HALL 11 (B.CD.F.6) P Candel 7-7-10 lons Wands (7) 2

the Jersey Stakes.

THUNDERER 2.10 Litra Seet. 2.40 Domak Amazm. 3.10 Grand ction, 3.40 Forest Fantasy, 4.10 Red Spectacle. 4.40 Bold African.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.10 DOMBEY.

Going: Good to firly

DRAW: 5F-7F, HIGH NUMBERS EEST 2.10 BANK HOLIDAY SELLING STAKES (£2,600: 7f) (17 runners)

1 IS DEL BROCKUS BELD ID COFAS; VILVENSA SAIC 19. 0-21 SMOURES SULT 19. 0.051.25: 17. V. V. Fattor. 86

10. 0012 ANY GODSON 10. G.D.F.G.S.; 1. Free 5-1. T. Large. 84

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10. 0003 BLUE GROT 21. BL.D.F.G.S.; 1. Free 5-1. T. Large. 84

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10. 0000 BLUE GROT 21. BL.D.F.G.S.; 1. Free 5-1. T. B. Doyle. 88

10. 0000 BLUE AND 10. BL.D.F.G.S.; 1. Free 5-3-7. P. M. Clarker, 90

10. 0000 BLUE AND 10. BL.D.F.G.S.; 1. Free 5-3-7. P. M. Free 6-1. BL.D.F.G.S.; 1. Free 6-1. B

9-2 Brockers Gold, 5-1 First Gold, 6-1 My Godson, 7-1 Fyzakay Blass, 8-1 Saltaron, 70-1 Ultra Best, 12-1 offices. 2.40 RACING CHANNEL MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-0: £3,717: 61) (7)

4-5 Donack Amarin, 5-1 Casignam, 11-2 Bollin Joanne, 6-1 Delphine, 10-1 Storigha Girl, 12-1 Wille Killes, Merrity

3.10 ZETLAND GOLD CUP (Handicap: £14,655; 1m 2f) (16)

3.40 VAUX SAMSON HANDICAP

(3-Y-0; £7,263; 1m 3f) (10)

(4) 41/ JUNIO 727 (CD.P.) I Bertrell 5-9-0 M Feation (S) 3-04 VAIN PRINCE 10 (B,CD.F.6.S) N Today 9-3-1 Character (S) 1251 ARAIN SHRIT 14 (C.F.6.S) J Eyro 5-0-12 R Lappin 95 (7) 5-06 TREMENDISTO 21 J Wisco 6-8-13 K Fallon 93 (10) 04-0 LINDISFARNE LATY 21 (C.F.) Mis M Rinchy 4-8-8

4.40 YARM MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES

COURSE SPECIALISTS

WETHERBY 106
UTTOXETER 107
HUNT'DON 108
CARTMEL 209
FONTWELL 216
HEREFORD 211 CHEPSTOW 103 104 204 LEICESTER SOUTHWELL 105 205

FAPID RACIUNE

TRAINERS JOCKEYS

LECESTER: Trainers: P W Chapple-Hyam, 3 winners from 8 numers, 37.5%; ht Stude, 12 from 59, 20.3%; l. Camadi, 7 from 39, 17.9%; G Wragg, 6 from 35, 17.1%; R Harmon, 26 from 174, 16.1%; R Armstrug, 5 from 31, 16.1%, Jockeys: C Hodgson, 3 winners from 20 rides, 16.0%; A Markey, 6 from 52, 11.5%; C Ruber, 6 from 60, 10.0%; R Perham, 4 from 40, 10.0%. No other qualifiers. 新·克勒里克克克克

4.10 ROSE GARDEN HANDICAP

(7) 3 BALLEBOROUGH BOY 21 T Barron 8-7 ... J Fortune 87
(6) MELIKSAM M Ball 8-7 ... M Fention (5) READ YOUR CONTRACT J Barry 8-7 ... P Roberts (9) (2) 5403 BOLD AFRICAN 17 P Evens 9-3 ... K Failes 89
(3) JACK SKYS T Easterby 8-3 ... M Birch 11 STAR OF THE ROAD J Carr 8-3 ... A Catherie 40
(4) 225 RED GARTER 22 K McAstéin 8-2 ... D R McCabe (3) 11-4 Badleborough Boy, 3-7 Bold Abrozo, 7-2 Read Your Contract, 6-1 Medissib Red Center, 12-1 Jack Says, 20-1 Star Of The Read.

TRANSERS: R Charlton, 4 winners from 10 remeats, 40.0%; D Louier, 6 buto 19, 31.6%, J Gosten, 11 from 49, 22.4%; S Williams, 3 from 15, 20.0%; G Wingo, 3 from 16, 18.6%; B Hardony, 3 from 16, 18.7%. JOCKEYS: M Hills, 9 winners from 32 ricles, 28,1%; J Stack, 6 from 48, 12.5%; K Fallon, 15 from 121, 12.4% Unity qualifiers.

2.00 Doctor-J. 2.30 Saskia's Hero. 3.05 Orchard King. 3.35 Sea Breaker. 4.05 Dernas. 4.35

2.00 HUNTINGDON MENCAP CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,961: 2m 110yd) (10 runners)

2.30 SWYNFORD PADDOCKS HOTEL HANDICAP

1 011P SASKAPS HERD 23 (D.BF.F.G.S.) J Bottonley 9-11-10 D Byrne
2 1183 UNCLE BERT 9 (D.F.G.S) G McCord B-11-6 _____ B Catlord
3 113P COME ON DANCES 215 (F) UNR 6-11-5 _____ W McFarland
4 61F5 DAYS OF THUBER 12 (D.F.6) Mrs S 0048 8-14-2 G Stradey
5 0234 PORGETTAL 12 (F.G.) D Burchell 7-10-13 _____ D J Burchell
6 9005 10P MRSS 21 A Meanus 7-10-0 _____ S Ryan (5)
5-2 Fougaid, 3-1 Uncle Bert, 7-2 Saskin's Hero 4-1 Come On Dancer, 9-2 Days
0f Thunder, 25-1 Top Miss

3.05 BETTERWARE MENCAP MAIDEN HURDLE

5-2 Orchard King, 3-1 General Shirley, 7-2 Scarmflach, 5-1 Elliansto, 10-1 Legal Deams, Seapon's Boy Josh, 12-1 others.

2-1 Fambridge, 3-1 Sea Breaker, 7-2 Soloman Springs, 6-1 Wald, 8-1 Teatrader 10-1 Call Me River, 14-1 others.

4.05 BOB ARNOLD MEMORIAL NOVICES CHASE

1 LE44 CORRARDER 21 (F.G.) J Did 12-11-10. Mr J Strepti-Osborne
2 1223 VARQUIT 23 (G.S.) Mrs M Reveley 7-11-5. R Hodge
3 1556 MOGRANGR 15 (D.F.G.S.) K Morgen 5-11-6. R Massey
4 0416 VICERDY RULER 23 (G) J Jenker 5-11-1. B Brattey
5 P221 CAMBD 14 (D.F.G.S.) M Barles 10-11-0. D Skymb
6 5051 FAR OUT 12 (V.CO.F.S.) O Bressen 10-10-8. M Brannach

7-4 Vandal, 4-1 Vicense Ruler, 9-2 Fer Dal, 6-1 Moobaldir, Cambo, Corrender

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CARTIMEL: 2 00 Reinham. 2 35 Warner Forpleasure 4 20 One For The Chiel. 4 55 Byel. Seenthelight, Serscen Prince FONTWELL PARIC 2:30 Deep in Greek 3.30 kintinas, HEREFORD: 2:30 Veesas. LEICESTER: 2 55 Brown Eyed Gril, Jowe King, 5 25 Alberta. REDCAR: 2:10 Indirasam. 3:10 Sacher's Walk. SQUTHWELL: 3:15

4.35 FUTURE TRADING CORPORATION

HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,973: 2m 5f 110yd) (6)

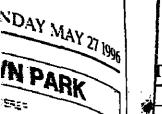
3.35 WILLMOTT DIXON HOVICES HANDICAP

CHASE (£3,218: 3m) (8)

(£3,082: 2m 4f 110yd) (8)

CHASE (£2,700: 2m 110yd) (6)

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Allowing one trial winner to come in from the cold

t is racing's equivalent of the Cold War. The evidence from the Derby trials is behind us and now commences the often conflicting process of whis-per and innuendo. Which horses have thrived? Which have regressed? And which are working with zest in these crucial days before the Blue Riband?

Only by planting yourself in the hedges lining Newmarket's gallops can you be sure of the answers. This year, more than most, those answers will be keenly sought, for the trials served only to confuse. Increasingly, one first had to enquire whether each trial winner was actually entered at Epsom before contemplating its chance.

The whole exercise was self-defeating. There is little logic in "trialling" for a race you cannot contest. Yet such is the legacy of a Derby entry system revamped for no better reason than money. However, to suggest the great race has got what it deserves is a cheap jibe at the expense of the race's heritage. What is urgently required is a refining of the entry mechanism.

Two solutions to embrace horses not entered in the Derby field have been guardedly welcomed. The first, from the Epsom executive, touted the introduction of wild cards. They would be aflocated to the most deserving horses as determined by the official handicapper.

The flaw with this argument is that the handicapper's assessment involved slide-rule calculations of weights against measures. It offers a poor alternative to horses competing for the right to run in the great race.

The second solution, offered in these pages three weeks ago, is for winners of established trials to gain per horse. automatic entry. This These la system works well in other pay a total of £17,750 to run countries but would have at Epsom. If the Predomipotentially damaging implications for the Derby's complicated entry structure. This is necessary to maintain the race as the most valuable in

horses — all yearlings — ority over were entered for the Derby entrants.

Kempton Park

£155,000 raised in this way forms the bedrock of the race's value. Without it, the Derby would be eclipsed by others like the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. Its beauty is that it affords owners of all financial denominations the opportunity to dream their

This structure would be jeopardised if recognised trial winners gained automatic entry. A trial victory is almost a prerquisite for victory at Epsom. As Guy Reed, owner of the 1981 Derby candidate. Shotgun, famously observed on the eve of the race. "If the blighter isn't good enough to win the Dante, the blighter isn't good enough to win the

Derby." And he was right. Perhaps the best option is an amalgamation of the two ideas by granting automatic entry to the winner of the



final Derby trial, the Predominate Stakes at Goodwood. It would effectively be a wild card decided by events on the racecourse as opposed to the handicapper's whim.

There are also other benefits. With only one such ticket available, owners would still have to enter horses as yearlings. And those missing out would still have to indulge the late nomination stage, at £8,000

These late entrants must nate was run over the Derby trip of 12 furlongs and offered a first prize of £17,750, the winner could then swap his earnings for the coveted Derby entry. He In December 1994, 620 will have proved his superiority over his fellow non-

2.15 1, Robera (10-1): 2, Crashbeltoo (16-1): 3, Signor Nortone (33-1) The killaloe Run 8-11 fev. 9 ran.

2.45 1, Excise Man (6-4 lav); 2, Boring (7-2); 3, Abbeylands (4-1) 6 ran.

(7-2): 3. Acceptants (a-1) o fair. 3.15 1, Nicholes Perel (7-1): 2. Rascally (4-1): 3. Wetl Appointed (9-2). Vel De Rema 3-1 (av. 7 ran. NR Dark Sinhoutle. 3.45 1, Mejic Rahn (10-1): 2. Golden Piddle (9-2): 3. Off The Bru (7-1). Overtiowing River 2-1 (av. 9 ran.

4.15 1, Lago Lago (7-1); 2, Faustniuce Lady (8-1); 3, Daisy Days (4-1). Mobile Miss 2-1 bay. 6 ran.

rynes z-1 raw. o rant. 4.45 1. Knowe Head (11-4)-tav); 2, Cum-bertend Blues (25-1); 3, Chapel Island (11-1). Little Werlock 11-4 (r.fav. 14 ran. NR: Poffaca) Issue

6.10 1, Claire's Dancer (25-1); 2. Cod Dancer (1-10 tay); 3, Moving Up (16-1). 4

ran. 6.40 1. Chekalak (4-1); 2. Mingavie (7-2 (av); 3. Juliesderkinvader (9-2). 10 ran. 7.10 1. Meserati Monk (13-8); 2. Indian Rocket (5-4 fav); 3. Aficionado (16-1). 7

ran.
7.40 1, Halliard (4-1); 2, Kildee Lad (8-1);
3, Tauber (33-1), Awasha 11-4 fev. 11 ran.
8.10 1, Double Up (15-2); 2, Saver Wing
(4-1); 3, Young Butt (10-3), Sound Check
11-4 fav. 6 ran

11-4 rav. o ran 8.40 1, Sharpical (2-1), 2, Four Oi Spades (13-2); 3, Distinct Beauty (11-8 tav), 8 ran.

Lingfield Park

2.30 Make A Stand. 3.00 Gort. 3.30 Oscali An Doras, 4.00 Ramallah. 4.35 Clobracken Lad, 5.05 French Buck. Carl Evans; 4.35 Celtic Daughter.

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2.30 MADLEY NOVICES HURDLE

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3.00 ORCOP SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE

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4	2222	QUIET DAWN 19 (F,G) J King 10-13-5	A Lam
5	4434	KHATER 20 (F,B,S) M Pipe 5-11-4	i) Relations
6	6333	MISS PEOPERNEL 9 (8.F) A Barrow 6-11-2	D Salter
7	517	SCUTTISH BALL 728 F Gray 7-11-0	M Kelahky
8	0054	FREE DANCER BO (C.S) R Brotherian 6-10-13.	V Shirt
9	P3F0	WHASTLING GIPSY 244 (F.G.G) H Other 11-10-5	الا) نصصال
10	2656	BRAVO STAR 20 (C.F.G) P Farrell 11-10-4	Chris Webb
11	6064	GORT 10 (CD.G.S.) / Harriman 8-10-1	. J Prior
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3.30 CRASWELL HOVICES CHASE

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1 3313 OSCAIL AN DORAS 9 (CD.F.S.) F Marphy 7-12-2. B Featon (3)
2 3383 GOLDEN MADIAMED 21 (F) F Jarden 10-11-10. D Bridgewiter
3 4673 ADARRAL VALENEINE 58 (8) E Egenton 8-11-4. C Unwellen
4 AP2 BENTLEY MANDR 37 (8.5 % Bridgester 7-11-4. C V Solteny
5 FURRY DAY P Famel 10-11-4. Crede Webb (5)
6 369- MASTER TUCK 384 V Bestagn 10-11-4. S Bernough
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7 Bernou 5-4 Oscali An Doras, 5-2 Golden Madjambo, 5-1 Admiral Villansavo, 8-1 Bentley Manor, 12-1 Master Tuck, 20-1 Funy Day.

4.00 MICHAELCHURCH HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,905: 2m 3f 110yd) (9)

2 1PP2 SECRET FOUR (2 (D.F.S.5) Mrs. S Williams 10-11-8
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3 4P44 JEASSU 16 (F.S.5) A J Wilson 13-10-13... Carls Webb (5)
4 -400 ADMRALTY WAY 47 (E.E.5) R Broflowton 10-10-12.. T Jenies
5 9321 RAMSDEIG 46 (6) N Invitant-Device 4-10-9... C Livenitym
6 SP04 STICKY MCWEY 20 (5) M Pipe 8-10-7... O Berrows (7)
7 2-P5 FRST CRACK 16 (F.S.5) F Jordan 11-10-7... A Largent
8 9312 RAMALLAH 4 (E.D.S.6.5) J White 7-10-1... B Featon (3)
9 06-P SR PASEANT 30 (6,5) K Bridgender 7-10-0... V Stationy
4 Browlees 31 Station 2-2 Security 10-10-10.

4.35 CLIVE MADEN HUNTERS CHASE

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	2	3421	BANCYFELIN BOY 34 (F,S) MESS A Williams 9-12-3 A Price BARCH'S HER 15P (F,S) R Livemore 9-12-3	(7
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	6 7	6P41 4452	EXPRESSMENT 16 (G.S) Mass A Ross 12-12-3 G Partials G-LNC 87 (G) M WRitemson 9-12-3 C Bardow MSTY 19 (S) Mass C Gordon 9-12-3 M Februs NO JONER 9 (F.G) N Session 6-12-3 8 Hold 8 Hol	7

7-2 Clobracien Ltd. 5-1 Equipment, 6-1 No Joles, Baron's Heir, 7-1 See See 10-1 Rayman. Cellis Daughlet, 12-1 others.

5.05 CAREY MOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE

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ļ	1 FU00 FATHER POWER 68 P Bowen 8-12-0 0 Burrows (7)
۱	2 DOS1 FRENCH BUCK 9 (B,6) N Twiston-Davies 6-11-9 _ C Lleweby
Į	3 0622 FLEISHORA MUSE 26 P Famel 6-10-1 Chris Webb (5
ł	4 P090 STORM POINT 20 H Home 8-10-0 Soptile Mijichell (5
۱	5 -050 ROYAL GLENT 12 H Haynes 7-10-0 Mass E J Jones (7)
1	6 4005 LORCANUO 19 (G) D Carey 5-10-0
ł	7 0006 WOERUL LAKE 21 A J Wilson 5-10-0
Į	6-4 Franch Buck, 3-1 Beangra Mese, 4-1 Workel Lake, 7-1 Father Power, 8-1
١	Lorcanio, 12-1 Royal Glint, 20-1 Steam Point.

THUNDERER 2.00 First Class. 2.30 Pond House. 3.00 Oh So Handy 3.30 Out Ranking. 4.00 Chilipour. 4.30 Cyrus The Great. Carl Evans: 4.00 Blue Danube.

GOING: GOOD TO FIRM

2.00 CHRIS AND NECKY SOUTHERN FM BREAKFAST SHOW HANDICAP HURDLE

(£2,120; 2m 6f) (9 runners)
1 0622 HOSTILE WITNESS TO 0.8F J.S.P Hudge 6-11-10 Theretooks (2 1901 FRST CLASS 23 P) G Allow 6-11-6 R Gree 3 5521 THE BLACK MONK 13 (0.F.G.S) M Pige 8-11-5 C Rese
5 3836 CLOCK WATCHERS 5.1 Bridger 8-10-0
6 1103 HORTH BANNSTER 9 (D.F.G.S) T McGreen 9-10-8 JR Knowng 7 JUL COUNTRYWICE LAD 4 M Macquet 7-10-0 P Rob 8 3800 JOKEN JOKE 12 (C.F.S) R Dum 11-10-0 \$ Stople (1 9 000P DARWICLY 16P (8) R Carlet 7-10-0 D Mary
9 DOOP CARRAGLY 10P (6) it Carbs 7-10-0

2.30 SOUTHERN FM SELLING HANDICAP CHASE

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	1 P321 POND HOUSE 21 (CD.F) M Pps 7-11-10 C Mande
	2 4523 RATHER SHARP 13 (F,S) C Pophers 10-11-3 A Thorsess
- 1	3 2246 EVENDIG RADI 4 (F,G,S) R Hodges 10-10-13 T Descourbe (3)
	4 O455 PALACE YARD 7 (F.S.) Miss A Embetons 14-18-19. J.R. Karanagh
	5 0500 RYING DAD 31 (F.E) H Manners 13-10-10 _ Mr A Chestes-Joses
ų	C 4000 PANTER POPULATION IN THE REAL PROPERTY.
Ц	6 SPOR DANTES DELIGIT ST P Jones & 10-9
	7 UEDS TANGO'S DELIGHT 48 D Elevents 8-10-7 P Holley
	B P384 MARY THE JACKDAN 21 (B) P Salar 9-10-5 G Upper
	9 PSSP THE WEST'S ASLEEP 24 J Plack-Hoyes 11-10-5 O Monds
	40 AP ACTOR ACTOR A SERVICE AND A SERVICE AN
	10 3/5 DEEP IN GREEK 9 (V) D Williams 10-10-4 L Harvey
ı	11 OPO6 RED CHANNEL 12 Casey 1-10-2
1	12 6040 SANDRO 21 (B.F.G.S) Miss L Bower 7-10-0 R Greene
1	13 5555 ACPS_TIBLE_48 (F) F Yardiny 12-10-0
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	9-4 Pond House, 3-1 Tango's Delight, 4-1 Rather Starp, 8-1 Seeden, 7-1 Evenen
1	Rain, 18-1 Deep in Greek, 12-1 others.
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3.00 THORRFIELD SECURITIES HANDICAP

CHASE (£3,152: 3m 2f 110yd) (10)
1 1111 OH SO HANDY 12 (F.S) R Curts 8-11-11 D Morts
2 2343 COCHLOUGHAN 20 (CD.F.G) G Balding 11-11-17 Mr A Balding (7) 3 4428 THE BLUE BOY 180 (B.D.F.G.S) P Bonan 8-11-5 Mr A Balding (7)
4 511U SORBHERE 27 (B.D.F.) N Headerson 9-11-3 JR Kinnseign
5 1451 SELAFONTE 16 (F.C.S) Mass K Groupe 9-11-2 P Medicogram 6 5455 Widnes LORRANGE 20 (COLF.C.S) R Alber 11-11-2 Mr P Hasley (5)
1 PPOP SOLDER OPAL 20 (8.5) R Bucker 11-16-7
9 5603 MASTER COMEDY 21 (B,CO,F,S) Miss L Bower 12-10-0 L Harvey
11-4 Oh So Handy, 7-2 Belatoste, Sarbisso, 6-1 Master Corredy, 7-1 Winnie Localine, 8-1 Reinteer Cestle, Decoloration, 14-1 others

3.30 TED TRIGGS MEMORIAL CHALLENGE CUP (Handicap hurdle: £2,448: 2m 2f) (8) 1 1/ HSIO SANDS 756 (CD.F) T McGovern 7-11-10 J R Konstreet

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4.00 SOUTH COAST RADIO HUNTERS CHASE (Amaleurs: £1,758: 3m 2f 110yd) (13)

- 1	7111	CHILLPOUR 11 (F.G.S) V Darbell 9-12-7 N Harris (7)
2	00P1	CHILIPOUR 17 (F,6,8) V Darinell 9-12-7
3	ZPP3	BLUE DAMLEE 9 (F,S) S Allen 12-12-0 T Has (7)
4	-UUA	FOX POINTER 3 (D.F.S.) Mrs. L. Estes 11-12-0 R. Thorston (7)
5	OSPR	MAJOR MOURRY 29P & 6.53 N Prester 10-12-0 Mass H Prester (7)
		THE PORTSOY LOOK 29P (B.S) Mrs 5 Hickson 9-12-0
•		Mas S Hickman (7)
7	6483	TRUST THE GYPSY 11 (C.F.G.S) J Deltaes 14-72-0. R Noted (7)
8	331B	LISLARY LAD 9P (F,G,S) L Bowles 16-11-7 D S Jones (7)
9	520F	MOTOR CLOAK 11 (8.5) Mrs R Burrow 10-11-7 P Berl (7)
		OUR SURVIVOR 20P (F.6) Mrs () Grissell 12-11-7 Miles (; Sevell (7)
		CLUARTER MARKER 11 (F) K Tork B-11-7 Miss C Townsley (7)
		SURE PRIDE 9 (P.S.) A Russell 8-11-7 P ("Kentile (7)
13	2834	WREIGN HILL 17 (D.G.S) Mrs J Willeson 14-11-7
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5-2 Chilipour, 7-2 Protessor Longhair, 7-1 Teast The Gypsy, Listary Lad, 8-1 Fox Pointer, The Portsoy Loca, 10-1 Blee Decube, 14-1 others.

4.30 SOUTHERN REPORTS JUVENILE NOVICES HURDLE (\$2,322: 2m 2l) (5)
1 1302 ASKING 12 (F) J Bennett 11-6 L Nierve 2 1232 CYRUS THE GREAT 18 (F) K Balley 11-6 A Thombo 3 4 KAMA SAMBA 14-7 White 11-0 R Gross 4 5425 PLEASANT SUPPRISE 19 (BF) M Pipe 11-0 C Meud 5 5 SUPPRANDEL 21 Mrs N Macauley 10-9 P Hid
4-5 Cyrus The Great, 3-1 Ashing, 7-2 Pleasant Surprise, 8-1 Karna Siraha, 20-

☐ Montjoy (Richard Quirtn) and Halling (Frankie Detiori) have a maximum of three opponents in the £65.876 Prix d'Ispahan (9f) at Longchamp today. With soft ground in prospect, the likely favourite, Valanour, could also be withdrawn.

3.45 COVERT HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,261: 1m) (16)

1 -260 NOSE NO BOUNDS 37 (D.G) M Johnston 9-7 T Williams 8
2 2664 YEDMAN DUNCH 17 (D.G) B Michiaton 9-7 T Williams 8
2 2664 YEDMAN DUNCH 17 (D.G) B Michiaton 9-7 T Williams 8
3 869- LAGAM 829 Feights 9-2 D Wingt (S) 3
4 000 OURSE ARCH 27 C Crew 9-2 D Wingt (S) 3
5 6122 PEDPLE BREET 18 (C)G.D) K McJedith 9-2 J F Egen 9
6 00-0 SUBNT GUEST 24 M Prescrif 9-0 C Nutler 15
7 50-1 IOURSPHICER 18 (C,G) B Rohmoll 9-0 T Author (7) 7
8 615 SWEET AMORIET 25 (RS.G) P Howings 8-7 K Dartey 6
10 0-46 JIMANEER 77 (C,G.) Villation 8-4 C Fraque (S) 4
11 0413 RAJAH 42 (D,S) C Thomaton 9-3 D Michiaton 5-0
11 0413 RAJAH 42 (D,S) C Thomaton 9-3 D Michiaton 5-1
12 0-00 PRIDCELY AFFAIR 25 M Bell 8-1 T M Multin (7) 1
13 0020 HADADARSUE 3 Pet Michael 8-0 P Bloomfield 1
14 -150 DHULKHEL 14 (BF,FS) D Marks 7-13 N Cartisle 14
15 33-6 EPPETITE 18 (CD,G.) M Groot 7-13 N Koemedy 11
16 00-2 AMARFEH 33 S Mellor 7-10 P Fessery (S) 12
6-1 Principal Bey, 7-1 Yeonam Olover, 8-1 Hadadabble, Jungsmer, People Direct, 10-1 Mose No Bourds, Kinspinger, 12-1 others.

2 4025 NOBLE CANONIFE 14 (CD,BF,6) S Bowing 4-9-10
3 20-6 INSTANTANEOUS 33 (C,BF,6) T Easterby 4-9-6... J F Egas 3
4 1105 CAROL AGAIN 14 (CD,BF,6) N Byrool 4-9-3... T Askiny (7) 7
5 0542 PHILARST 18 (B,C,6) W Byrool 4-9-3... N Kernedy 2
5 5-61 PERPETUAL LIGHT 28 (C,B) J Germ 3-9-2... K Darley 6
7 23-41 ANCHORENA 10 (7) Mrs A Sunstant 4-9-0... U Usblum 1
9 -650 PALACEGATE JO 72 (CD,6,5) D Chapman 5-6-9 D McGoown 4
10 050 LILICITINO 34 S Williams 3-7-13... D Winfold (3) 1
1 -635 PRINCESS PAINGROUP 9 (6) C Allen 3-7-12. P Fessey (5) 10
12 0530 MBL TOWN CLASSIC 14 J Pariess 4-7-11... N Carrials 5 4.75 SPINNEY SELLING STAKES (2-Y-0: £2,070: 51) (6) 1 54 RT FOR THE 308 6 (BF) W G M Turner 8-11 K Parter 4
2 2103 FALL TRACEABILITY 9 (0.6) J Berry 6-11 K Darley 5
3 60 MEROUST 9 M Johnston 8-6 T Williams 6
4 MAKE READY J Modile 8-6 F Morton 7
4 SHARP BUT FARR 9 (BF) M Prescrit 8-6 C Notice 7
5 43 SHARP BUT FARR 9 (BF) M Prescrit 8-6 J F Egunt 2

6-4 Full Tracestrilly, 9-4 Sharip But Fair, 9-2 Who Told Viciny, 6-1 Jergotet, 10-1 Fit. For The Jub, 12-1 Male Resoly. 4.45 FOREST HANDICAP (£3,236: 5f) (17)

1 2400 LDRD SKY 7 (D.F.G.S) A Balley 5-10-0 Angela Gallemore (7) 14
2 0225 PERFECT BRAVE 10 (F) J Balding 5-0-11 ____ J Edmunds (7) 3
5 2240 SUPER ROCKY 10 (D.F.S) R Bestman 7-9-11 H Bassman (S) 3
4 4550 SUZHAFE DEAL 46 (B.C.G.S) Sensing 5-9-10 ____ C Tougher (S) 5
5 0214 DAAWE 10 (V.C.F.G.S) Mrs V Acudey 5-9-10 ____ M Deating 10
6 1425 ELTON LEDGER 14 (V.C.F.G.) Mrs M Macunby 7-9-8 7 452- SCOREO AGAIN 410 (D.F.G.S) N Heater-Ein 6-5 7 452- SCHEEN GENER 410 (D.) ASS IN PARIMENTER STRONGER 59, 15
8 0851 CHEEN CHAPPY 8 (B.D.F.S) D Cauprain 5-9.5 P Fossy (S) 11
9 3520 PROWITMAN 19 I Barton 3-9.4 . K Darley 2
10 3522 MY CHERNYWEL 18 (B.C.D.G.S) L. Laures 5-9.4 T Williams 8
11 80-0 (DUSTON NT 33 (D.) F) Brickhon 3-9.3 . T Assissy (F) 13
12 1003 REPORTHOLIZ 25 (B.D.B.) J Heaterton 5-9-2. IN Kennedy 17
18 -000 MOST LEPHTTY 122 (C.D.B.) J Dev 3-9.1 Lauren Wester (7) 9
18 -000 MOST LEPHTTY 122 (C.D.B.) J P Howling 5-7-11 ... F Florton 4
15 -000 EAST LEPHTTY 122 (C.D.B.) P Proving 6-7-11 ... F Florton 15
15 -000 KONTER 30 (B) Concenty 3-1-10 ... M (Carlein 7
17 0000 DOUBLE GLOW 824 (CD.F.B) N Bycont 4-7-10 D Wright (3) 1 6-1 Rencytolese, 7-1 Dames, 8-1 Perfect Brave, Super Rocky, My Cherrysell, Cheeky Chappy, 10-1 others.

COURSE SPECIALISTS TRANSPS: Mrs. M. Reveley, 20 winners from 75 nancers, 26.7%; X. Michelille, 7 from 27, 25.9%; R. Boss, 3 from 18, 23.1%; M. Johnston, 38 from 195, 19.5%; M. O'Bornsso, 34 from 194, 18.5%; M. Prescot, 18 from 103, 17.5%. ACCEP'S: R Durley, 21 wateress from 108 feles, 19.4%; C Maller, 4 hom 23, 17.4%; Ensen D'Gorman, 28 from 173, 16.2%; C Tempus, 21 from 157, 13.5%; T Agolley, 3 from 22, 13.6%; D Markenum, 36 from 265, 12.6%.

THUNDERER 2.15 Rasayel. 2.45 Jaraab. 3.15 Battle Ground. 3.45 People Direct. 4.15 Full Traceability. 4.45 Perfect Brave. Cartmel

GOING: STANDARD

DRAW: 6F-1M, LOW NUMBERS BEST

2.15 WOODLAND FILLIES HANDICAP (£2,070: 1m 3f) (12 runners)

2.45 COPPICE CLAIMING STAKES

(£2,070: 2m) (9)

1 2000 JAJMASD 14 (C,6) B McMehon 4-9-10 L N 2 4025 NOBLE CANDMRE 14 (CD,BF,6) S Bowing 4-9-10

5-1 Anchoreta, Philinici, 6-1 Reseyol, Carol Again, Peopelani Light, 7-1 Noble Canonico, 8-1 Jelenici, 10-1 offers.

7-4 Celibrari Kid, 3-1 Jarseb, 9-2 Eulogy, 7-1 Brave Spy, 10-1 Zesti, Elevid, 12-1 Selibestion, 14-1 others.

7-2 Battle Ground, 4-1 Belle Von, 6-1 Superquest, Nostaigle Air, 10-1 Petula Boy, Peddy Lad, Coust House, 12-1 offices

3.15 EUROPEAN BREEDERS FUND ASTON MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,498: 61) (10)

2.10 1, Cadeaux Premiere (5-1); 2, Ordog Mor (12-1); 3. Highland Way (3-1 fav). 9 Going: good to soft 2.05 (6) 1, Statesman (R Hughes, 11-2), 2, Abou Zouz (8-13 (av); 3, Ball Paradase (4-1), 7 cm. 2%, %! M Charmon, Tote, £6 40; £2 10, £1 30, DF: £2 40 CSF: £9.08 ran.
2.40 1, Grouse-N-Heather (10-11 lav); 2, Judicial Flatd (Evens); 3, Boethius (6-1), 3 ran. NR: Port in A Storm.
3.10 1, Viprano (6-1), 2, Slaughi Son (3-1 lav); 3, Nijway (7-1), 15 ran.
3.40 1, Jr-Key (7-2 lav); 2, Eastlands Hi-Light (20-1); 3, Sillando (8-1), 14 ran. NR: Good Profit.
4.10 1, Lemon's Milt (1-3 tav); 2, East Houston (7-2) Only two linished. 4 ran.
4.40 1, Hann NF-cons (5-4 fav); 2, indian. 2.255 (1m) 1, My Lewickia G Hard (Evens tav); 2, Present Generation (16-1); 3, Pronetic (100-1); 17 ran. 5; 2% P Harris Tote: 21.90; £1.20. £4.10. £10.70 DF £18.10 Tric: £211.50. CSF. £16.77. 218.10 Inc: \$271.30. C57. \$10.77.
3.05 (2n) 1, Rocky Forum (5 Sanders, 11-4 law); 2, Sea Fraedom (14-1); 3, Fullyerna Crest, 11 ran. 141, 4, 5 L. Moore. Toter 3.50; 21.30, 22.90, 21.90 DF: \$7.70. Trac: \$24.90, CSF: \$35.83. Tricast; \$125.11. 4.40 1, Ham N'Eggs (5-4 fav): 2, indian Jockey (2-1); 3, Nonios (11-2). 9 ran.

284.80. CSP: E35.83. Incest £723.11.
3.55 (1m 2) 1. Zermait (5 Sandars, 8-1;
Thunderer's nep); 2. Dornita (11-1); 3.
Kings Assembly (8-1). Mokuff 4-1 tov. 14
ran NP: Migner: 130, 4 M. Usher. Tole:
£10.20; £3.00, £4.00, £2.10. 0P; £72.80
Trio: £207.80. CSP: £88.05. Tricast:
£528.66. 1028.05. (1m) 1, Regal Archive (J Réid, 5-1); 2, Sorbie Tower (5-2 lav); 3, Wedm (100-30); 9 ran. Nh., sh hd. P Cheppte-Hyern Tote: 57.70; 22.30, 21.10, £1 50. DF. £9.80. Trio-25.10; CSF: £17.21

4.35 (8) 1, Schamhorst (R Hughes, 5-1): 2, Double Splendour (11-4): 3, Leigh Crotter (12-1), Amultimm 9-4 tev. 7 ran 294, 114 5 Dow. Tote: \$7 10: \$2.70, \$2.30 DF: \$12.30. CSF: \$18.29 Haydock Park

2.00 1, Sellomnaite (12-1); 2, Sing With The Band (13-2); 3, Tuscan Dawn (4-1 savj. 11 ran. 2.90 1, Farhama (Evens fav); 2, April The Eighth (11-2); 3, Dashing Blue (5-2), 5 ran.

Nap: STRUGGLER

Next best: Sketch Pad (2.00 Sandown Park) 3.00 1, Winter Romance (9-4 tav.), 2, Jo Mai (14-1); 3, Believe Me (20-1). 10 ran.

Mee (14-1): 3, Beserve Me (20-1). 10 ran. 3.30 1, Molly Drummond (14-1): 2, Memhetten Diamond (5-1): 3, Ruby Tuesday (4-1). E Sharp 8-15 lav. 6 ran. 4.00 1, Mount Row (2-1 fav): 2, Lothiorien (11-2): 3, Annexy (5-1): 15 ran. 4.30 1, Sendrilli (11-2): 2, High Cut (4-1): 3, Chinensis (5-1) Detachment -11-8 lav. 13 ran. 5.05 1. Satiri Lower (15-8 fav); 2. Embryonic (11-4); 3. Secret Service (5-2). 6

Doncaster 2.201, Johnnie The Joker (9-1); 2, Ochos Rios (7-1); 3, Kid Ory (9-2 R-lav); 4, life Academic (10-1), Gymcrak Flyer 9-2 (1-lav. 16 ran. 13.20 1, Hi Nod (11-1); 2, Pangamon (10-1); 3, Farne Again (4-1) Super Bertz 5-4.20 1. Ferradan (4-1); 2. South Salem (10-1); 3. Kernantiana (9-4 tav). 8 ran.

4.50 1, Snow Princess (9-4); 2, Letchash (7-1), 3, Noufer (10-1), Corradin 2-1 fev. 8

(3.40 Sandown Park)

Warwick VVAIVVICK
8.25 1, Montone (9-2 lav), 2, Wenthindge
Lad (13-2); 3, Kingchip Boy (8-1); 4, Lady
Sabine (12-1), 23 ran.
6.50 1, Mylondaine (11-2); 2, Tychoon
Boht (14-1); 3, Dormy Three (20-1),
Another Time 11-4 lav 13 ran.
7.20 1, Cry Baby (11-2); 2, Radmore
Brandy (12-1); 3, Wingnut (11-1), Sunley
Sacure 15-8 law, 9 ran.
7.50.1, Durmy Should (244 lich.), 2, Chall 7,50 1, Pussy Street Girl (50-1); 2, Civil Liberty (Evens lav); 3, Duel At Dawn (7-2). 11 ren. NR: Queen's Charler 8,20 1, Deen Street 11 ran. NR: Quaen's Charler.
8.20 1, Deep Finesse (4-1); 2, Ruby Princess (3-1)-lay); 3, Mercileos Cop (33-1).
Double J 3-1)-lay. 8 ran.
8.50 1, Stormoln (3-1); 2, Shariti (2-1 lay);
3, Bella Sedona (3-4), 10 ran. NR: Nasser.

ren.
5.20 1, Chelice (10-1); 2, Longwick Lad
5.20 1, Chelice (10-1); 2, Arch Enemy 3-1
(6-1); 3, Metarm (7-2). Arch Enemy 3-1
(6-1); 3, Penther (9-2). Silver Welcome 7-2
(av. 12 ran.

Wolverhampton 7,00 1, Fracides Kelly (9-2 tay); 2, Belinda Slute (6-1); 3, Napler Star (14-1), 13 ran. 7,30 1, Dragonjoy (9-4 tay); 2, Danico (4-1); 3, Eccentric Dancer (20-1), 11 ran. 8.00 1, Penmer (12-1); 2, Hompipe (7-1); 3. African-Pard (16-1). School Boy 3-1 tav. i3 ran. 8.30 1, Premier Dance (8-1); 2, Loco-rotondo (5-1); 3, Red Phantom (12-1). Well Arrangad 9-4 fav. 9 ran 9.00 1, Run Lucy Run (6-4 lav); 2, Biesterini Paritsi (9-1); 3, Rehone (16-1). 5

Dare nears sixth championship

ALISON DARE seems assured of her sixth women riders' championship after partnering Rip Van Winkle to victory at the Dulverton East meeting on Saturday (Carl

Their success in the ladies' open was similar to a victory at the Berkeley meeting last month when the Polly Curl-ing-ridden Desert Waltz was runner-up. The same combination finished second on Saturday, a result that took Dare to 30 winners for the season, eight ahead of Curling, the reigning champion.

Rip Van Winkle is part of a select team, all trained by Dick Baimbridge, which has carried Dare to the brink of her sixth championship. Di Stefano, the winner of seven races, is probably best of the talented group which have

been astutely placed. Rip Van Winkle's only defeat when completing this season was by Bankhead, who should add to his laurels at today's Albrighton Woodland meeting.

TODAY'S MEETINGS: Albrigton Woodland, Cheddestey Corbell, between Bromsgrove and Koderminster (first race 200); South Teteott, Litton, 3m E of Launceston (200).

RESULTS: DULVERTON EAST (Mounsey HB Gete): Hunt: 1, Morchard Milly (J Auvray, 8-1) Lackes 7, Rey Van Winkle (Milss A Dere, 4-7 fev). Open: 1, Fosbury (T Mitchel), 3-1), Inter: 1, M-Reg (L Jafford, 4-1) Rest: 1, Registre Boy (A Farrant, 4-1 fev). Open Mdn I: 1, Milss Ricus (R Treloggen, 9-2). Open Mdn I: 1, Bitle Night (J Scott, 5-1).
Mil: TON HUNT CLUB (Gertnerpe): Hunt: 1, HB Island (R Seesting, 5-4 fav). Conditional: 1, Whinstone Mill (R Thomfort, 2-1 fav). Lackes: 1, Nowhisal (Milss C Tarrett, 4-1). Nowice champ: 1, Comit (Luisin Pitchard, 7-2). Open: 1, Lucky Christopher (A Sensome, 5-8 fav). Open: Mdn: 1, Appie Nicking (A Hill, 7-4).
TREDEGAR FARMERS (Beassaleg): Hunt: 1, Polly Pringle (A Price, 1-6 fav). Rest: 1, Sterling Buck (T Jones, 7-2 Jt lav). Contined: 1, Calmeymount (J Tudor, 8-11 fav). Laciles: 1, Mendip Music (Milss E Crassford, 4-9 fav). Open: 1, Touch 'N' Pass (J Tudor, Evens fav). Open Mdn I: 1, Harry From Barry (J Tudor, 6-1). Mdn II: 1, Bowland Girl (Milss E Jernes, 7-4).

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GDING: GOOD (GOOD TO FIRM IN PLACES) 2.00 BURLINGTON SLATE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,514: 2m 1f 110yd) (17 runners) -1 Statubury Fool, 4-1 Statubure, 5-1 Candid Lad. 7-1 Ruth's Garable, Sings Foll, 0-1 Cardender, 12-1 others.

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3.10 STANLEY LEISURE HANDICAP HURBLE (£2,827: 3m 2f) (9) LC, OZIT: SITI ZI) (9)

1 2612 TALLYWARSER 9 (F, 6) 5 Moore 9-12-0 THoug (7)

2 0119 GRACE CARB 18 (D, E, 5) R Woodlosse 19-10-13 Mr 5 Swinst

3 PLPP WART YOU THERE 11 (F, C, 5) H Alexandry 11-10-12

4 600 OZDE JONES 31 (F) M Chapters 5-10-5 W Werthington

5 5912 SIAURHY SON 2 (F, 6) R Febru 6-10-5 W Werthington

5 5912 SIAURHY SON 2 (F, 6) R Febru 6-10-5 B Story

7 2194 MeN TRIBE 25 (G, 5) J Robett 5-10-0 B Story

7 2194 MeN TRIBE 25 (G, 5) J Robett 5-10-0 M Michael

8 3200 GARRISTORARE 25 (S) E District 10-10-0 M Michael

9 0000 AUCANTE 24 (B, F) D McCare 9-10-0 S Harding

4 Stord S R - 2 Telement 7 (2) Rich Beaute 15-10-1 C The Cont. 11-10-1 7-4 Staught Son, 5-2 Tallywagger, 7-2 Brief Reunton, 5-1 Grace Card, 10-1 Ozale Jones, 12-1 Row Tobo, 20-1 Others.

3.45 BURLINGTON SLATE HANDICAP CHASE (Amateurs: £3,100: 2m 5f 110yd) (7)

4.20 KENDALL & FISHER NOVICES HANDICAP

CHASE (£2,807: 3m 2f) (5) 11-8 Gale Ahead, 9-4 Albert Blahe, 4-1 One For The Chief, 6-1 Bitacrack, 16-1 Scotch Til Inteh.

4.55 JENNINGS CUMBERLAND ALE JUVENBLE NOVICES HURDLE (£2.584: 2m 1f 110yd) (8)



2.30 Beckley Fountain, 3.00 Turner Prize, 3.30 Andermatt, 4.00 Red Valerian, 4.30 Over The Island, 5.00 Rolfe.

2.30 HOUGHTON VAUGHAN MAIDEN CHASE (£3,022: 2m 7f) (10 runners)

1 0054 BEGGLEY FOUNTAIN 33 H Johnson 8-11-2 JF Titley
2 2PLIS CHALLE RECIAEDS 11 Mis L Williamson 8-11-2 R Bellumy
3 8R00 DARLE FECINARUS 11 Mis L Williamson 8-11-2 R Bellumy
3 8R00 DARLE FECINARUS 11 Mis L Williamson 8-11-2 R Bellumy
4 5L23 RUMS TRUTH 4 (6) M Westen 10-11-2 Mr H Harris
5 USSS 800 SPEED YOU 31 (8) C Nech 7-11-2 D Parker (3)
6 -076 PALPATO FOWER 18 A Junes 5-11-2 D Winter (3)
7 908 SOUND FORECAST 16 (6) Mis 5 Juneson 8-11-2 R Johnson
8 445F RLYMINS 68TL 37 Mr 5 J Phirms 7-10-11 R Parker
9 5 KILLISREW ABSELY 28 R Phillips 7-10-11 JR Bookey
10 03PD SEMBNOLE PRINCESS 19 (8) C Hamsley 8-10-11 M Bookey
5-2 Eacl Speed You, 7-2 Pursey Truth, 9-2 Chelle Richards, 6-1 Backley Fountain,
7-1 Fynn's Gild, 8-1 Desleyhordery, 12-1 Sound Forecast, 14-1 others.

3.00 NEVILLE LUMB & CO. SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,089; 2m 4f 110yd) (12)

☐ Mistle Cat, trained by Sean Woods, gained a two-length victory over Peter Chapple-Hyam's Myself in the Prix du Palais-Royal at Deauville yesterday. Young Ern finished third.

4 P-64 PEARL EPEE 9 D Nicholson 7-11-2 R Bellamy 5 SP02 NORTHERN OFTBAST 23 (F.8) B Limestyn 8-10-13 R Johnson 6 DOF MARRIERS COVE 9 C Broad 8-10-12 D. DOURTHERN 7 0003 BARDAISH 21 (G) M Barracleogh 9-10-1 Gry Lewis (3) 9-4 Over The Island, 3-7 Flappack Ltd, 4-7 Pearl Epice, 5-1 Charged, 5-7 Northern Optimist, 10-1 Barquish. 5.00 JENKINSONS CATERERS NOVICES HURDLE

2.15 Liniathen. 2.45 Temple Garth. 3.15 Urban Dancing. 3.45 Tartan Tradewinds. 4.15 Jumbeau. 4.45 Chantry Beath. Carl Evans: 4.15 Silevenamon Mist,

2.15 ST JOHN'S AMBULANCE NATIONAL HUNT NOVICES HURDLE (\$2,810: 2m) (6 compas) 1 FS11 LMA.ATHEN 25 (6.5) Mrs M Reveloy 6-12-0 P Heren
2 -180 J.M.60 STAR 51 (7) J.Dison 6-11-7 F Perratt
3 1205 THE BOUNDER 11 (D.SF.F.S) D Sterwood 6-11-7 M Richards
4 4204 POPLIN 17 (1 Mirrish 1-10-1) B Dation
5 22 YOUNG RADICAL 11 (8F) J. Upons 4-10-9 R Supplie
5 8306 CRAMBELLA 17 8 Keby 4-10-4 P Carobella
6 Herishin, 11-4 The Bounder, 7-2 Young Radical, 8-1 Justico Star, 10-1 Poplin,
14-1 Crasobella

2.45 HARTWELL FORD NOVICES CHASE (23,500: 3m 110yd) (5) 6-4 Final Hope, 2-1 Mobile Messenger, 4-1 Temple Barth, 6-1 Secondarde, 14-1 Outsall Cresset

3.15 BILBROUGH HANDICAP HURDLE (£3,630: 2m 4f 110yd) (7)

(E3), 6-SU: ZITI 44' TUYO] (7)

J. 5322 WHITE WILLOW 23 (B.C.F.S) lies M Reveloy 7-12-0 lier M H Hampitton (7)

2 0540 DOWN THE FELL 23 (C.D.F.G.S) J. Johnson 7-11-2 P Carbony

3 2021 UPBAM DAMCING SF (D.F.S.) B Dison 7-11-12 P Carbony

4 6255 DANCING DOVE 11 (F.R.) G Richards 8-10-8 A Dobbin

5 2235 SCARBA 7 (SJ.) J. Helsson 8-10-0 D Beniloy

6 4-04 MART/ASTIG 9 P Michighno 6-10-0 M Richards

7 PSPG MALORITY MAJOR 25 (G) P Chemistrogy 7-10-0 R Supple 7-4 White Willow, 3-1 Urban Dencing, 7-2 Down The Fell, 6-1 Dencing Dove, 7-1 Scarta, 20-1 Marketo, 25-1 Majorily Major.

1 -021 ANDERMATT 9 (6,S) J Marcto 9-11-11 _____ E Hosberot (3) 2 F246 DONT TELL THE WHE 21 (C.D.6,S) C Egertor 10-11-9 J Railfon 3 P434 FAR SENDIR 4 (D.F.6) P Wignam 10-11-8 ______ T ENDIR 4 029P CHAMSE THE REIGN 34 (CO.F.6,S) Mass A Embliscos 9-10-8

3.30 CENTRAL TRAINS HANDICAP CHASE

5-2 Dani Telt The Wile, 7-2 Andermati. Rusty Bridge, 9-2 Far Senior, 6-1 Vazon Express, 8-1 Change The Reign.

4.00 TWYFORDS BATHROOMS HANDICAP HURDLE (\$3,388: 2m) (5)

2 322 NOBLEY 198 (2D.BF.F.S.S) N Wolfer 9-11-10 R Format
2 13P3 ELFLAA 12 (CD.F) N Hemberson 5-11-7 R Johnson
3 1415 RED VALEMAN 11 (D.F) J O'Shan 5-10-13 Michael Brennan (7)
4 0041 NAMSARS 9 (D.S.S.) P Rub 2-10-11 D Fransgan (7)
5 6214 GOLDINGU 9 (D.F.S.S.) 6 Prize 9-10-5 Guy Lawis (3) 7-4 Ethan, 5-2 Maiysari, 4-1 Red Valeram, 5-1 Noblety, 7-1 Goldingo.

4.30 WELLMAN PLC NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE

22,030 2111 (92)

1 2400 SELMO WISION S7 (8.P.) J O'Shime 5-11-7 Michael Bictorian (7)

2 0231 ROLFE 17 (8.D.P.) D-Michaelon 6-11-7 R Johnson

3 1000 TRADE WIRD 57 (8.D.P.) J O'Shime 5-11-7 D Prinnings (7)

4 HSP BOUND FOR SOLD 11 M Pipe 5-11-0 D Walsh (3)

5 FO MTBERS 246 O'Fince 6-11-0 D Thomas (7)

6 OP NORD LVS 1389 B Livership 5-11-0 D J F Tilley

7 652 PRINSSA, 9 W Clay 5-11-0 Suy Larels (3)

8 FO ROMSMART 16 B Baugh 4-10-9 Bary Lorels (3)

9 -PPO PROTION POPPY 17 W Clay 6-10-8 T Day 5-4 Rolle, 5-1 Toxic Wind, 6-1 Island Vision. Pressts. 7-1 Bound For Gold. 12-1 Pindon Poppy, 16-1 others.

3.45 GODFREY LONG HANDICAP CHASE (£4,497: 3m 110yd) (7)),49/: 3(1) 1 (Uyu), \r/ 1 SP41 TARTAN TRADEWINDS 11 (D.F.G.S) & Richards 9-12-0 A Dobbin

2 62FP MERRY MASTER 97 (B,CD,F,6,S) A Harrison 12-11-12 3 4005 BAS DE LAINE 37 (B.F.B.) 0 Sevenod 10-11-9... M Richards 4 2111 HOWOLEUCH 38 (C.D.F.B.S.) 0 Ober 9-10-6... M Richards 5 3103 DEEP DECISION 28 (C.J.F.B.S.) 10 User 9-10-6... R Supple 6 SPR3 STRONG SCIAND 19 (C.D.F.B.S.) P Chestorough 9-10-3. R Supple 6 SPR3 STRONG SCIAND 19 (C.D.F.B.S.) P Chestorough 9-10-3.

6 SPT8 STRIONG SQUIND 19 (C.D.F.G.S) P Cheestmough 9-10-3 8 Catall (3) 7 SSSP ADRIEN 100 (8.F.S) F Murphy 8-10-0 ______ P Carberty 6-4 Tartan Trademinds, 7-2 Howchuch, 9-2 Bas De Laine, 6-1 Strong Sound, 8-1 Deep Decision, 10-1 Metry Maxim, 25-1 Adries.

4.15 GUY CUNARD HUNTERS CHASE (Arnateurs: £1,716: 2m 4i 110yd) (11)

1 1114 LITTLE WENLOCK 2 (F,S) Mrs D Gibson 12-12-7 2 1113 MY NOMENEE 9 (8.D.8F.F.G.S) D Nicholis 3-12-7

2 1113 MY NOMENEE 9 (8.D.8F.F.G.S) D Nicholis 3-12-7

D Sherlock (7)

3 -120 DN THE OTHER HAND 59 (V.D.F.G.S) G Richards 13-12-7 4 0344 GREEN TIMES 26 (6.5) Mrs. J Storey 11-12-4. W Raymany (7) 5 0330 SOUTHERM MINISTREL 14 (C.O.F.C.S) N Chambertain 13-12-4. Whise C Medicate (7) 6 -042 "UNIDEAU 10 (D.B.S) P Chambers 11-12-0. C Bounds (3) 7 2423 SRIPLY PERFECT 17 (G.S) J Swindows 10-12-3.

8 1-P1 SLEVENAMON MIST 30P (F.S.S) Y Darbest 10-12-0 9 P350 COLONEL POPSKI 30P (BF.F.S.S) Mrs. J Barr 14-11-5 10 2822 GAELIC WARRIOR 18P (5) Mrs F Clast 9-11-8..... N Tritty (5) 11 3232 GOLDEN SAVANINAH 17 (6,5) M Soverstry 6-11-9........ M Soverstry (7) 9-4 On The Other Hand, 3-7 My Mominoe, 6-1 Stienenmon Mist, 7-1 Little Wenlock, Southern Minstret, 8-1 Jurithesy, 10-1 Green Times, 12-1 others.

4.45 HEADLEY HANDICAP HURDLE (\$2,880; 2m) (5)

1 3455 TAPATCH 12 (8.0 F.8) M W Existing 8-11-10 M Druyer
2 1684 CHANTRY 86ATH 12 (0.7) C Thornton 5-11-0 M Footer
3 1537 SELVER BAMURA! 10° (0.5) Mits V Accodey 7-10-12 D Bendley
4 POLS PROMITER 1618HT 12 (0.7) Mits L Schall 6-10-10 O Pears
5 000R (0.1124.11Y BOY 11 J Johnson 6-10-0 P Carberty 5-4 Chantry Bench, 2-1 Tapatch, 9-2 Frontier Flight, 12-1 Silver Saturai, 14-1 (Officeth Rev.

Thompson offers answer to impossible question

nice idea, but, in reality, futile. We can no more evaluate Fred Perry alongside Barry John, Steve Redgrave or Sebastian Coe than decide which is the finest view in Britain, comparing Loch Lo-mond with Land's End or

Regency Bath. Channel 4 has nevertheless made the attempt, even if the programmes have lacked contributors who were informed and experienced. The "vote" in the final programme tonight will be between Daley Thompson, Ian Botham and George Best, with Thompson the probable winner — but more on the immense merits and limitations of these three

in a moment. First, however, some will consider it odd that Channel 4's shortlist of 20 did not

rying to judge who is greatest in the history of British sport is a Richards and Stanley Mat-thews, all of them knighted, and that the only woman was Mary Rand, rather than, say. Mary Peters or Lucinda Green. And was not Stirling Moss a more famous name than Jackie Stewart?

It is arguable whether Lester Piggott was more of a champion than Richards, though unquestionable that he avoided more taxation. Matthews may not have won the World Cup, as did Bobby Moore, a much-loved modern hero, but in the age before television. Matthews won a million hearts and was a worldwide trademark of the game. There were old ladies crying when his statue was unveiled in Hanley.

In making its assessment, the television panel has used five yardsticks: achievement, dominance, style, fortitude television have been much assisted by the last of these and, of the five qualities, only the first is absolute. A judgment that is impossible anyway is implying arbitrary, subjective considerations that enter the arena of gymnastics judging and figure skating, or the dancing of Torvill and Dean, who are among Chan-nel 4's shortlisted 20. Superlative entertainers though they were, T and D would not have had the same impact, or image, without the small

Included in the 20 was Jimmy Wilde, a superlative flyweight boxer by the stan-dard of any time. The producer presumably wished to have a contender from a popular British sport, yet if early-century legends are eligible, then surely consideration had to be given to C. B. Fry?



Tonight Channel 4 declares The

Greatest! David Miller, chief sports

of Britain's outstanding champions

greatest season, 1901, when he

averaged 78. He captained

England, and for Southamp-

ton in the FA Cup Final of

1902, and was thought likely

to have played rugby for

England but for injury. In

Fry also played football for

Sussex for four years.

correspondent of The Times, looks at the difficulties of comparing the merits

six times had he toured. He ers in their respective sports, Fry's range was astonishingly still shares the record of six wide, embracing cricket, footconsecutive centuries, in his

ball, athletics and rugby. He scored 30,866 first-class runs, including 94 centuries, averaging over 50; took 166 wickets (at an average of 29.3) and 240 catches. He played in 26 Tests (averaging 32 with the bat) and would have captained England more than

clined the throne of Albania and ran a naval training ship, the Mercury, for many years are no more than Increasingly, selevision is being pushed by the ratings war to turn sport into show

jump record of 7.17 metres.

the League of Nations, de-

business and this Channel 4 has done, with guest judges like Rory Bremmer. The dumbest decision, reflected on the screen, was to have Frances Edmonds, author and broadcaster, as a resident panelist: a preferable woman pundit would have been Rachael Flint, Virginia Leng, Anne Jones, Christine Truman or Fatima Whitbread: women who have done

something. If there is to be a Channel 4 "champion", then Thompson

sport has a relatively narrow. exclusive field. The most detached viewer could sense his greatness. He brought joy to countless followers, though I would have said to fewer than Ovett and Coe, whose clash in the 1,500 metres final in Moscow in 1980 was watched

by 23 million in Britain alone. Botham and Best were mesmeric, but each was sometimes less than the ultimate team player. Botham, for all his glory, was a singularly inadequate captain — yet now aspires to lead an England revival. Best's career was the definitive anti-climax. Twenty five years later, Best

still fails to understand the anguish of the waiter who brought drinks to the hotel room where the footballer dallied with yet another Miss World and an armful of gambling loot. "Where did it all go wrong?" he asks. Where

Channel 4's shortlist (in alphabetical order) was George Best. Ian Botham, Bobby Charlton, Linford Christie, Sebastian Coe, Denis Compton, Kenny Dalglish, Nick Faldo. Len Hutton, Barry John, Bobby Moore, Steve Ovett, Fred Perry, Lester Piggott, Mary Rand, Sieve Redgrave, Jackie Stewart, Daley Thompson, Jayne Torvill and Christopher

Dean and Jimmy Wilde. My top 20 would be Best. Botham, John Charles, Charlton, Compton, Coe, Dalglish, Faldo, C. B. Fry. Jack Hobbs. Hutton, John, Stanley Matthews, Stirling Moss, Ovett, Perry, Mary Peters, Red-grave, Gordon Richards and Thompson.

☐ The final show in the 12part series, The Greatest, will be screened tonight at 8.30 on

Major's Rutlish successors bow out of Surrey Cup

By Tom Chesshyre

WHEN John Major was 13 he won an Evening Standard cricket award after taking seven wickets for nine runs including a hat-trick - for Rutlish School, in the London borough of Merton. The Prime Minister-to-be was at Rutlish from 1955 to 59 and when he left aged 16 - with really makes a big deal about just two O levels - he even it anymore." toyed with the idea of taking

up the sport professionally. More than 30 years on, cricket — despite its demise in many city comprehensives is still going strong at Rutlish. "We've got some very good players and the kids love the game." David Daley, head of physical education, said as he prepared the under-15 team's kit before a Surrey Cup match against Howard of Effingham School last Thursday. "Almost every break-time, I see kids playing, usually with a couple of bags as the wicket and a tennis ball."

Rutlish is fortunate to have excellent cricketing facilities on two grounds and the school recently received £1,000 from a nearby teacher training college to buy new equipment. There is a well-established structure of Saturday games against local schools as well as

inter-house matches. The school, however, plays down connections with Major. who is still a keen cricket follower, as his regular appearances at England matches testify. There are no that the Prime Minister once attended is a cheeky bit of graffiti on the inside wall of the scoreboard hut which reads: "John Major woz 'ere." Daley said: "All the kids know he went here, but since the initial excitement when he was made prime minister, nobody

As the match between Rutlish and Howard of Effington got under way in



bitterly cold conditions, the Prime Minister was far from the schoolboys' minds. A steady drizzle had almost caused the game to be abandoned. Had it been, the teams would have determined who went into the next round by each player bowling a ball at a single stump - a kind of

penalty shoot-out. Rutlish were missing several of their best players who were away training to be ball boys for this year's Wimplaques or photographs; the bledon championships — but only outward sign of the fact batted well, scoring lil for four

Sindhu, the captain, was the top scorer with a fluent 59 not out, although he was dropped three times. Aziz Hussein was also in good form, scoring an unbeaten 24 with the aid of more fielding errors. Howard of Effingham evidently need

catching practice. In between innings, all the talk was of England's game that day against India in the first Texaco Trophy one-day international. The general excited opinion was that England's first innings total of 291 would be enough to win the match. Once play began again, however, it soon became clear that Rutlish's III was not going to be enough for

Jayesh Patel, the Rutlish vice-captain, bowled some fine balls in a spell of 4-2-11-1, not quite up to Major's prizewinning standards, but still very good. Howard of Effingham saw him off however and moved onto the attack.

Daniel Reeves, who scored 30, and Alex Terry, with 34, were quick to the pitch of the ball and played some confident shots. In the end, the visiting team passed Rutlish's score in the nineteenth over for the loss of four wickets.

Afterwards, before rushing off to watch the highlights of the England game on television, the players sat down to orange squash and biscuits; a cricketing tradition of which Major would be sure to

Sindhu, who also took three wickets to go along with his unbeaten half-century, was disappointed. "At least we put up a good fight, " he said. "I don't really think about John Major that much, but I suppose he would be proud that we gave our best."



Crews battle to establish an early advantage at the start of the boys junior eights, which was won by Westminster, at Holme Pierrepont

Eton hold off strong Hampton challenge

ROWING CORRESPONDENT

ETON celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the National Schools Regatta by winning the championship eights for the twelfth time on Saturday. Hampton, their strongest challengers since the event was introduced in 1971.

pushed them all the way at Holme Pierrepont. Eton led from the start, Abingdon intially being closest to them, but, by 750 metres, Hampton were the only crew overlapping. James Cazenove, Eton's stroke, pushed the rate to 37 at 1,250

metres and had just a length, but Hampton responded at 392 and edged back. At the line, however, they were half a

length down. Bruce Grainger, the Eton coach, said: "I thought they were going to come through at 1600 metres but my chaps held it together. It was a great challenge.

Behind the top two, St Paul's, conquerors of Eton in the schools head, and Abingdon were having their own private battle for bronze. St Paul's prevailed and Tim Morland, their coach, said: "We needed to be rating a couple of pips higher to be in

bled other school first eights by winning the Child Beale cup for the third year run-

Eton's second eight humning. Bedford, the favourites. held pole position for the first

1500 metres before the smoother Eton crew swept through in the last minute to win with clear water.

Chris Hugill, a veteran of three junior world championships in spite of being only 18, received an early taste of the championship sculls. The final six scullers included two of Hugill's 1995 British quad scull crewmates, Tim Kingswell and Mark Hunter, but many eyes were on Peter Ujhelyi, a Hungarian undertaking a three-month course

at Bedford Modern. Ujhelyi, already selected as the Hungarian sculler for the 1996 junior world, led from the start and was one length up on Hugill at halfway. Hugill, nearly three stones heavier, pushed and, at 1500 metres, went into the lead, although the scullers were

still overlapping at the line.

The new beat the old in the women's championship, Lucy Heise, the junior Great Britain hopeful, just pipping Vicky Fangan, 1995 Great Britain coxiess four medal-

The third eights event for the West Cup aroused special interest. Four schools competed for it in 1947, Radley beating St Edward's in the final Fifty years on St Edward's, rowing in a boat borrowed from Radley, reversed the verdict and Chris Kaye, Radley crew captain in 1947, passed over the cup.

line in front of him. Roger-Peacock on Cools Cats, the

talented young newcomer to

the Melges fleet, snatched first

place with Kim Slater, the former top Fireball helm on

The third race saw huge

variations in wind strength

across the course with about a

virtually at a standstill after

choosing the righthand side at

the start. By the halfway stage

Lennon, on Rawhyde, had

taken the lead and was able to

hold on with David Clark on

Snickers Workwear second

and Brereton again third.

third of the fleet being left -

Pigs Eye, second.

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Wales baffled by mysteries of Orient

BY OUR SPORTS STAFF

WALES found their preparations for next Sunday's open-ing World Cup qualifying game in San Marino disrupt-ed in unexpected fashion yesterday. Despite starting with the side most likely to begin their campaign to quali-fy for the 1998 finals, Wales lost 2-1 to Leyton Orent of the Endsleigh Insurance League third division.

The fixture had been arranged to allow Bobby Gould, the manager, to find the right system and personnel to ensure a winning start against San Marino. But an Orient side comprised mainly of trialists proved far more impressive and were worth their victory provided by an 85th minute header from Peter Garland, on trial after being released by Charlton.

Lee Shearer, the defender, provided early encouragement for a crowd of 5,000 at Brisbane Road when he gave Orient a first half lead, However, Wales, who used all 20 players in their squad, eventually equalised when John Robinson, of Charlton, swept in an 80th minute cross from Mar-

cus Browning.

However, their relief was shortlived. Five minutes later Paul Williams crossed from the right and Danny Coyne, the Tranmere goalkeeper, watched the ball drift across goal to Joe Baker who headed on for Garland to force home.

Gould rushed off to watch his son Jonathan play for Bradford in the second division play-off final at Wembley, but Neville Southall, the coach, said: "We've learnt a few things and on the whole

it's been a good day."
"We're quite happy although it might not look that way, sometimes you learn more from a defeat than a victory. We've only trained for an hour and been together for a day and a few of the lads were a bit rusty.

"But there's no panicking at all. We will be far more organised next week. Orient were fired up but so would I be if I was playing against Ryan Giggs. We'd have liked to have scored six or seven but even if we'd lost 10-1 it would not have mattered. The important thing is that we win in San Marino next week and today gave us the chance to try a few systems and blood a few of the younger

Atletice Madrid won their ninth Spanish league title in style on Saturday, beating Albacete 2-0 with goals from Diego Simeone and Kiko Narvaez. "It's the happiest day of my life," said Jesus Gil Y Gil, the controversial Atlético president. The club also won the Spanish cup to complete their first double. Real Madrid failed to qualify for European competition for only the sec-

Lennon making the right choices

SAILING CORRESPONDENT

MIKE LENNON, the national champion in the semiprofessional Melges 24 fleet, demonstrated his mastery of the notoriously fickle winds on Loch Pyne this weekend to lead the Rover Series at Tarbert with two wins and a

fourth in the first three races. The Rover Series - Britain's second biggest regatta after Cowes - attracted a slightly lower turnout than last year, but 260 yachts in 13 classes made the trek to the Firth of Clyde, most taking part in overnight feeder races from Bangor and Gourock.

The Melges fleet, with their

first time and with 16 boats on the start line, put on another exciting display of one-design racing, though many of the skippers found the constant variation in strength and direction of the generally light winds exasperating.

Lennon, a sailmaker from Southend, was happy with another strong showing at the head of the fleet which saw him picking the best route up the course consistently better than anyone else. It is all about pressure (wind) hunting out there," he said. "It is difficult, very shifty and with lots of boats to watch out for it's a tricky business."

Saturday's long opening

Glenfiddich 3, one of the 16 entries in the Melges 24 class, cuts through the water

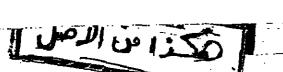
coming off the hills, set the scene with wind shifts in the order of 30 degrees and with five different boats leading at various times. The competition was so tight that after four hours sailing, the first 12 boats crossed the line within two minutes of each other.

In the second race yesterday morning, the problems were less the shifts as much as big variations in wind strength up and down the course with a. light breeze from the south. The London-based American Art Brereton on Wicked Feet managed to get ahead early on and held the lead until just before the finish, when he seemed to lose his way and let

Lennon leads the six-race series from Peacock, who had two thirds and a first, with Brereton in third place with --two thirds and a fifth.

The feeder races saw 45 boats set off from Bangoroutside Belfast on Thursday night and 180 from Gourock Many crews had a frustrating and cold night in generally light winds but enjoyed thrill-ing reaching conditions as they roared up the eastern side of the Isle of Arran to the finish. Line honours in the Gourock race went to John Nesbit from Falmouth in his half-tonner JHN. In the Bangor race, the Farr 40 Brava. skippered by Paul Thallon, took line honours

At the Spa Regatta in Holland, Andy Beadsworth, Britain's Olympic Soling representative, took third place behind Jochen Schumann of Germany and Magnus Holmberg of Sweden.



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ROAD RACES: Tour of the Kingdom: (Fite, 192 miles) 1, B Smith (Anglo Scottish Select) 7th 43min 42soc, 2, M Watsham (Gil Anvarys Progeot) at 11sac, 3, M McKoy (Team Ambroska) sume time. Team: Optimum Performance PT Libergood Mercury RC (Kaldy, 52 miles) 1, A Martin (Mosseysude Wh) 203,00; 2, A Tirskey (New Brighton CC) at Seec, 3, J Tonks (Parker International RTI) same time.

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James (Sydenham Wh) 1 55:38. Team: Ensthourne Revers 6:09:41. Tarmworth RCC (25 m/ec) 1. M Putshouse (Warwelss RC) Sirms 18-ce, 2 A Long (Colenha Wh) \$6:00. 3. L. Ruthbone (Tarmworth RCC) 56:21 Team. Warwels RC 2:51:38 Loudour RC (Rvine, Agraher, 25 males) 1. D. Gibbon (CS. Modura) Shrims 56:sec, 2. A. McLettin (Glasgow Wh) 57:45. 3. C Bard (VC Astar) SB/07 Farehorn Whoelens (25 milos): 1. A Derwon (Antelope RI) 57mm 12:sec; 2. A Doddins (Fareham Wh) 57:44. 3. Pickers (Antelope RI) 57:50 Tarm: Fareham Wh; 2:53:55 Team Spirit (Derbyshire, hilly, 22 milos): 1. W Moore (Lee RC) \$1 milos 1: 150:sec (course and secret record), 2. shie, hify, 22 miles; 1, W Mooire (Leo RC) 5/mm 515pe (course and event record), 2, C. Thompson (Coalvillo Wh) 52 45; 3, M Green (Chesterfield Spire RC) 53:10 Team: Ruff, and CC, 2 48;50 Compil Valley CC (Comwell, 10 miles; 1, C. O'twall (Cart Valley CC) 3/mn 55-scc (event record), 2, S Word (Plymouth Commission CC) 22 49; 3, K Ross (Plymouth Commission CC) 22 49; 3, K Ross (Plymouth Commission CC) 22 13 Team: Plymouth Counthian; 23:13 Team:

Selecti 7th 43mn 42soc; 2. M Watsham (Gil Anrays-Pruggoti) at 11soc; 3, M McKoy (Toam Ambrosia) some time. Team: Optimum Portormance 8T Liverpool Mensury RC (Kakby, 52 miles). 1. A Martin (Mcraysole Wh) 2 03.00; 2. A Tinsky (New Bighton Cc) at Sec; 3, J Tonis (Parkot International RT) some time. The Control of the Contr

HOCKEY

MILTON KEYNES: Men's International Germany 2 Great Britain 1 RUSSELSHEIM, Germany: European women's clubs championalipic A division's Group A SV hampional 5 Glacgow Western 1, Muckrotz, 1 AHTC Wich & Group B: LILLESHALL: Women's England 0 Argentino 2. ICE HOCKEY

FOR THE RECORD

NATIONAL LEAGUE INHLY Stanley Cup. Finals: Eastern Conference: Florida 5 Prisburgh 2 (Florida lead best-of-zeven senes-21). Western Conference: Colorado 4 Detroit 2 (Colorado lead series 3-1) MOTORCYCLING

SCARPERIA: Italian Grand Pris: 500cc (23 lans, 5.245km) 1, M Doohan (Aus, Honda) 44mm 4.252ccc; 2, A Chrille (Span, Honda) 44 01.978, 3, L Cadalora (traity, Honda) 44 12.916, 4 D Beathe (Aus, Suzukin 44 12.454, 5, J M Bajder (Fr. Yamaha) 44.22 654, 5, J M Bajder (Fr. Yamaha) 44.22 657 World championship positions; 1, Doohan 96pts; 2, Cadalora 71; 3, A Barros (Br) 58, 4, A Cruelle (Sp) 52; 5, Bajdor (Fr) 46 250cc (21 lanpa, 110 146sem) 1, M Baggr (8, Aprila) 40 mn 36.299sec; 2, M Lucch (R. Aprila) 40 mn 36.299sec; 2, M Lucch (R. Aprila) 40 mn 36.29 sec; 4, O Jacque (Fr. Honda) 41 07 916 World championship positions; 1, Baggr (200s, 2, T Harada Ulepan) 75; 3, Waldmann (Ger. Hondo) 41 07 916 World championship positions; 1, Baggr (200s, 2, T Harada Ulepan) 75; 3, Waldmann 56, 4, Jacque 56; 5, L D' Artin (Sp) 53, 125ccc; 20 lapp. 104 900km) 7, P Oest (Italy, Aprila) 40 58 091; 4, V P Oest (Italy, Aprila) 40 58 091; 4, V P Oest (Italy, Aprila) 40 58 126 World championship positions; 1, Acki (165pts, 2, M Toludome (Lapan) 50; 5, S Pangiri (8) 46.

RIFLE SHOOTING

GUERNSEY: National Ritle Association Tour Team President's Prize (10 shots at 300 and 600yds) 1, A Hunter (NRA) 99 15. 2, L. Wicker (NRA) 99 12, 3, D. Chortron (NRA) 99.12. Guernsey CAN (500 and 600 yadds). 1. H Sander: (NRA) 99.17, 2, Wicker 99 16; 3, Hunter 99.14. Team match (300, 500 and 600yds): 1, NRA 1,173.15, 2, Guernsey 1,164 12. Top Individuals: 1, (NRA, Wicker) 149.24, 2, (Guernsey, P. Jory) 149.20

RUGBY UNION

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FRENCH CHAMPIONSHIP: Final: Ville-neuve sur-Lot 27 Sami-Esteve 26 TOUR MATCH: Webirgton 52 Western Samoa Western Samoa XV 30 (at Samoa Western Samoa XV 30 (at Widengton) CHARITY MATCH: Northampton Instation XV Nasc Boths (milation XV 12 (at Accre) SUPER 12 TOURNAMENT: Final: Auckland 45 Natal 21 (ct Auckland)

SCHOOLS SPORT

ROWING: National Regette, Notinghem: Champonship events: Boyes: Eights: 1. Elon no time taken. 2. Hidrophor int. 3. St. Paul's rat South, 1, CH-high (Durham) Zmir. Street. 2. P Unchy (Bodford Modern) 8.00.
3. T Kingowell (Notwich) 808 Gurks: Eights: 1, Larly Beanch Hölter 7-26.2. Kingotion GS. 7-36: 3. Moberdactics: Monamouth 7-39. Souths: 1. Lieuse (Kings Camerchury) 6-53.
2. Y Fangen (Kingston RC) 6-54. 3. N. Ledger (Kingston RC) 6-58. Charles events: Boys: First eights: Elon 6-31. Second eights: 1. Streat-boy 6-40. Third eights: 1. Si Edwards: 5-22. Junior stoteen: A eights: 1. Westmasser 6-48. B eights: 1. Rangton 5-99. Junior stoteen: 8 eights: 1. Kings Wirtblecton: 5-29. Junior fitteen: 1. Second eights: 1. Hampton 5-25. Junior fourteen octupie: 1. Kings Wirtblecton: 5-29. Junior fitteen: 1. Westmassor 5-50. Junior fourteen: 1. Hender 5-50. Junior stoteen: 1. Hender 5-30. Junior stoteen: 1. Rangton 5-41. Junior stoteen: 1. Rangton 5-41. Junior stoteen: 1. Rangton 5-40. Junior stoteen: 1. Rangton 5-41. Junior stoteen: 1. Rangton 5-42. Junior fourteen 8-1. Kings Wirtblecton 5-41. Junior fourteen 8-1. Kings Wirtblecton 5-41. Junior stoteen: 1. Rangton 6-33. Ouade: Junior Setwents Borkses 6-37. Girls: Lanjor fourteen: 1. Handton 5-30. Ouade: Junior 156 ff C Henderson 8-680. CRCKET: "Chinon 156 ff C Henderson 8-680.

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CRICKET: "Chlorn 195 IT C Henderson 8-44) Old Cliffamans: 196-8, "Colchester RGS 16: Regate GS 162-1; Free Forestor: 195-9" Dean Close 142; Harrow 167" Torbridge 188-2, John Fisher 195 "RGS Guiddord 157-4. King Edward's Birmingham 224-7" RGS Winderson: 112 not out), "Landing 168-9 OL's 65, MCC 223-8" "Hadoptour 191-9; "S Dunstan's 255-3 (Pressine) 118 not out) Colto's 92 St Edmand's Wate 166 "Bechop's Strittord 170-5; S Paul's 122" KCS Windbloom 128-1; Sussex Marriets 50" "Hurstpierpoint 52-4, "Tohn 20-5-5 (B O'Connet 104) Emanuel 180-7, Wintigth 105 "St John's Leicherhead 91 Indendes home side) FOOTBALL: Nilse under-14 tournament-Premier Cup: Finals: PSV Endhoven 0 Universidad do Chile 3, RCD Espanyol 0 Bioussia 0 (RCD Espanyol vim 7-6 on pens), Bosussia 0 Outmand 0 Dundee United 0 (Borussia vim 5-4 on pens), Arsenal PC 0 Real Madrid 1 Remotendorfer Footise 0, AC Casana 1 Shenthini Juniors PC 0, Medan 0 St Josephs Boys 1 Challenge Cup: Quarter-finals Lausane Sports 1 Noo 0; NV St Tuadon 1 Remotendorfer Footise 0, AC Casana 1 Shenthini Juniors PC 0; Medan 0 St Josephs Boys 1 Challenge Cup: Quarter-finals Lausane Sports 1 Noo 0; NV St Tuadon 1 Remotendorfer Footise 0, AC Casana 1 Shenthini Juniors PC 0; Medan 0 St Josephs Boys 1 Challenge Cup: Quarter-finals Lausane Sports 1 Noo 0; NV St Tuadon 1 Remotendorfer Footise 0, Ac Casana 1 Shenthini Juniors PC 0; Medan 0 St Josephs Boys 1 Challenge Cup: Quarter-finals Lausane Sports 1 Noo 0; NV St Tuadon 1 Remotendorfer Footise 0, Ac Casana 1 Shenthini Juniors PC 0; Medan 0 St Josephs Boys 1 Challenge Cup: Quarter-finals Lausane 2 SCT Ompije 0; Lileinammer 0 Symonds Green 1 PSV Endhoven 2; Real Madrid 1 PSV Endhoven 2; Real Madrid 2 Symonds Green 1 Aarhus 1 Group B:

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Shanktall Juniors 0 KW St Truston 1;
Espanyol 1 KW St Truston 0, Shankhall
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SPEEDWAY STAR KNOCKOUT CUP: Second round: First leg: Eastbourne 56 Swendon 39 Second round: Second leg: Bradford 57 Scottish Monacotis 39 (Bradford win on eggregate 105-83) **SWIMMING**

SHEFFIELD: British Grand Prix Super Winners: Men: Freestyle: 50m: M Fosler (Cardif) 23 30:cc. 1,500m: I Wilson (Leeds) 15m:5 38sec Backstroke: 50m: M Harrs (Tower Hamlets) 25 30:scc Bressistroke. 100m: F van Lancker (Bct) Timi 3 31:scc Battlerfly: 100m: R Greenwood (Botton Meroy 56 38sec Medley: 400m: D Warren (Leeds) 4mm 32 00:scc Women: Freestyle: 200m: S Hardcastle (Bracknell) 3mm 62 41:scc Backstroke: 100m: S Price (Bante Copinal) 13 92 Bressistroker 50m: J King (Wattham Forest) 32 90:scc Butterfly: 200m: B Secue (Bet) 2mm 14 12sec Medley: 200m: B Becue (Bet) 2mm 18 21:scc BRALINSCHWEIG. Germany: German BRAUNSCHWEIG, Germany: German

BRAUNSCHWEIG, Germany: German national championelrips and Olympic trists: Mon: Freestyle: 200m: 1. A Heimann. Imm. 50 26ser: 2. O Lampe 150 68 3.C. Keller and K. Dutrown. 1 50 96 Breaststroke: 200m: 1. J Kruppa. 2 17 21; 2. A Sermes 2 17 40: 3. H-J Lager 2:1827. Backstroke: 100m: 1. S Theloke 55 23, 2. R. Braun. 56:29: 3. T. Weber 56:40. Freestyle relay-7 at 100m: 1, 5C. Berlan. 23 42: 2, 5V. Misar Hedielberg. 2 24:93. 3. SG. Hamburg. 326:34. Women: Freestyle: 200: 1. F. ven Almsch. 158:88 (quadhed to: Olympics), 2. D. Hase. 2:00:98 (quadhed) to: Olympics), 2. D. Hase. 2:00:98 (quadhed): 3. K. Kreigass. 2:01:40. Breaststroke: 100m: 1, K. Durntlat. 11:56. Individual mediay: 200m: 1. D. Hunger. 2:17:03; 2. S. Herhst. 2:17:21; 3. A. Haenel. 2:19:00. Mediay rolsy: 4. x. 100m: 1. SG. Hamburg. 4:17:87, 2. SC. Berlin. 4:20:58; 3. SG. Frankurt. 4:22:21.

Medley: 400m; 1. L. Sacchi (ft) drun 22,8496c, 2, M. Weiutz (Holf) 4,23,66,3,7 Lundin (Swe) 4,25,33. Butterfly: 100m; 1. J. Hueghd: (ALS) 54,175ec, 2. L. Frolander (Swe) 54,38; 3, C. Uzhlov (Russ) 54,77 Backstrofer: 200m; 1. V. Selkov (Russ) 6,477 Backstrofer: 200m; 1. V. Selkov (Russ) (Russ) 6,00m; 1. C. Poli (C. Russ) 4min 10,38ac, 2. K. Visegturs, Holf) 4,1198,3, C. Guers (Holf) 4,12,15 Butterfly: 200m; 1, 1. Toochim (II) 2mm; 15,20sec; 2, M. Pelaer; (Sp.) 2,15,70; 3, J. Mage (Ausa) 2,16,99 Backstrofer: 100m; 1, N. Zhivanevskaye (Russ), Imm; 02,38ac; 2, T. Ashammar, Swe), 103,31, 3, O. Rochelsove (Russ), 100,39

TENNIS

DUSSELDORF, ATP World Team Cup: Final: Switzerland 2 Czech Republic 1 | Switzerland 12 Czech Republic 1 | Routed 454 Aff M Rossel for B Univach 7-5, 6-2, Hasokim and Rossel bi Yorda and 0 Vocek 6-3, 6-4) | ST POELTEN, Austria: Men's tournament: Final: M Rios (Chiel bi F Mansila (Sp) 6-2, 6-4 Finalt M Rios (Chiel b) F Mamilia (Sp) 6-2, 6-4
PARIS: French Open: Qualitying round:
Men: D Der (Gor) b) P Gauther (F) 6-4, 63, F Monlana (US) b) J Krocsko (Hun) 6-3,
6-1; J Guillaz (Sp) b) R Approx (Haveai 6-1,
6-4, D Monman (Be) b) N Uigen (Swe) 6-4,
7-6 G Kuerren (Br) b) D Nestor (Can) 6-4, 62, T E Sawy (Egypt) b) T Landwar (Aus) 6-1,
6-2 G Elis (Arg) b) A Ne (Aus) 7-6, 7-5, F
Frodrikason (Swe) b+ D Devos (Hol) 7-5, 7-5
6-1; J Krocska (Stondards) b) O Gross (Gen) 66-1; J Krocska (Stondards) b) O Gross (Gen) 64, 3-6, 6-0; A Ofhousky (Hus) b) F Devon
(Rom) 6-4, 4-6, 7-6, J Painer (US) b) M
Noman (Swe) 6-3, 6-3, A Tulkarren (Fin) b)
C Amens (Ger) 1-6, 8-3, 6-1; G Doyle (Aus)
b) N Bhupath Inde) 6-3, 3-6, 6-2; Women:
F Perfett (b) b) G Pizzochni (h) 7-5, 6-5; G
Crecchni (h) b) Y Osybad (Japan) 4-6, 6-1,
6-1; F Lubeni (ii) b) M Paz (Arg) 6-4, 7-5); G
Leon-Garta (Sp) b) M Manuska (Ausstra) 63, 7-5, J Negedy (Can) b) N Dehman (Fin)
7-6, 6-3; D Randwartely (Mad) b) P
Languora (Cz) 6-1, 7-6; R McCualian (Fus)
b) M Schreid (Austra) 6-4, 6-1.
STRASSOURG: Women's bournament STRASBOURG: Women's tournament Final. L Deverport (US) bt B Paulus (Austra) 6-3, 7-6 MADRID: Women's tournament: Final. J Navolona (C2) bi M Maleeva (Bul) 4-6, 6-4,

6-J EDINBURGH: Women's World Doubles Cup: Finat; N Arendt (US) and M Bollegraf (Holf) bi G Fernandoz (US) and N Zveleva (Belo) 6-3 2-6 7-6 **WATER POLO**

EDINBURGH: British Water Polo Champ-ionship: Rinals: Penguin 8 Portobello 16; Bristol Central 16 Polytechnic 8, Bristol Central 15 Portobello 9, Polytechnic 11 Penguin 8 Bristol Central 5 Penguin 4, Polytechnic 4 Portobello 19, Final posti-loris: 1, Bristol Central: 2, Portobello: 3, Polytechnic, 4, Panguin

ATHLETICS

hurdles: 1. D. Allahgreen (Liverpool) 13 68sec; 2 8 Edwards (Wales) 14 27, 3, 67 King (Wales) 14 40 400m hurdles: 1, A. Layzell (Wales) 59 72, 2, F. Norwood (tre) 61 98; 3, M. O'Mears (tre) 62 58, 4 x 100m relay; 1, Wales, 47 17, 2, Instand: 48 63 4 x 400m relay; 1, Wales, 47 17, 2, Instand: 48 63 4 x 400m relay; 1, Wales, 47 17, 2, Instand: 48 63 4 x 400m relay; 1, Wales, 47 17, 2, Instand: 48 63 4 x 400m relay; 1, Wales, 47 17, 2, Instand: 48 63 4 x 400m relay; 1, Wales, 105 m; 3, O'Gahan (tre) 1, 35 m; 3, M. Gahan (tre) 1, 35 m; 3, M. Gahan (tre) 1, J. Stokes (Wales) 2, 280m, 3, M. Roles (Wales) 3, M. Short (Wales) 5, 48m, Triple (ump. 1, C. Hanalin (tre) 11 97m; 2, Jodow (Wales) 13, 7, 3, F. Mullen (tre) 11, 17m, Discust. 1, J. Berry (Wales) 13 88m, 2, E. Gavn (tre) 13, 7, 3, F. Mullen (tre) 12, 17m, Discust. 1, P. Roles (Wales) 45 76; 2, J. Fisher (Wales) 45 522; 3, A. O'Briton (tre) 42, 66m (Wales) 45 523; A. O'Briton (tre) 42, 66m

BEDFORD: AAA Combined events championships: Men: Decathlon (first day), 1, B Taylor (Old Gaytornans) 4,072pts; 2, B Thomas (Sheffeld) 3,939; 3, A Southward (City of Stoke) 3,905; 4, R Joseph (Decorum and Tring) 3,765; 5, S Rogers (Liverpool) and Trings 3,765; 5, S Rogers (Liverpool Penthooles) 3,737. Women: Heptathlon filest deyl* 1, K. Lury (Wokofield) 3,482; 2, V Scotled (Rotherham) 3,387; 4, E Beales (Mitton Keynes) 3,349; 5, T. Joseph (Basingstole and Mit Hents) 3,288 Boys: Under-15 pentathlon: 1, C. Jankins (Liverpool) 2,776; 2, J. Anthory (Neath) 2,547; 3, M. Taylor (Victiona Parly) 2,611. Girls: Under-15 pentathlon: 1, T. Trunkeel (Athrochem) 2,867; 2, S. Anderson (Hertlord and Ware) 2,751; 3, L. Bulliar (Cateshead) 2,844. 15 portletiflom: 1, T Thurlwell (Abronchern) 2,867; 2, S Anderson (Hortford and Water) 2,751; 3, L Butler (Gateshead) 2,544
SOUTHERN WOMEN'S LEAGUE: First division (selected winners): Bournemouth: 200m; L Canter (Bedford) 24 8sec. 100m hurdles: K Reynolds (Redley Ladies) 14.2 Pole vesult: M Newton (Ashford) 30 tm. Match result: 1, Achtord 179pts. 2, Bournemouth 170; 3, Radiely Ladies) 14.2, Reading 160; 5, Bedford 154 Hendor: 100m; S Anderson (Shelfesbury Barnet) 12 0sec. 400m; S Lewellyn (Shattesbury Barnet) 20 soleni) 2min 9 3sec. 100m hurdless: K Sketchley (Team Soleni) 14 3sec. High jump; J Major (Shattesbury Barnet) 175m Pole vesult: C Ridgley (Team Soleni) 3 40m Triple jump; C Stead (Parksold Harrow) 12.19m, Harmer: 1 Dutin (Shattesbury Barnet) 40 94m (Uk Veterans record) Match result: 1, Shattesbury Barnet 210 5; 2, Team Soleni 100; 3, Parksold Harrow 164, 4 Windson, Slough and Eron 154 5, Sassidon 119, Kingston: Pole vesult: L Schramm (Epsorn and Ewell) 3 40m Long jump; E Ghoefe (Epsorn and Ewell) 6 13m, Triple jump; Ghoefe (Epsorn Epsorn) 6 20 4 4 400m; E Bronnley (Edsor) 7 5 8 7 8 8 8 8 6 m Harmmer: E Augee (Essor Ladies) 50 9 8 9 8 5 8 Andrews (Esser Ladies) 14 8 7 m Discus; Andrews 48 4 6 m Harmmer: E Augee (Essor Ladies) 50 9 9 8 9 8 5 8 Andrews (Esser Ladies) 14 8 7 m Discus; Andrews 48 4 6 m Harmmer: E Augee (Essor) Lad



Domke, of Germany, slips between Singh, left, and Hazlitt, of Great Britain, during the international match yesterday at Milton Keynes which Germany won 2-1. Report page 26. Photograph: Adrian Sherratt.

CLUB CRICKET

A P S TWO COUNTIES LEAGUE: Bury St Edmunds 247-6. Abberton 29. Halsfead 130-9. Clacton 134-5. Maldon 199-4. Midentral 2037: Sudony 45, Achtiles 46-3; Witham 75, Brantree 76-3

BIRMINGHAM LEAGUE: Barri Green 134, Walsald 135-2, Coventry & North Warwickshire: 163-8, Judderminster 164-3, Moseley 202-68, Aston Unity 135-9, Old Hill 257-4, Stoutbridge 146; Smethwick 195-9, Wolverhampton 176; Wolverhampton 176; Smethwick 195-9, Wolverhampton 176; Smethwick 195-9, Wolverhampton 176; Smethwick 195-9, Wolverhampton 176; Smethwick 195-9, Wolverhampton 176; Wolve BRYAN HERTFORDSHIRE LEAGUE: Leichworth 190-7. Heriford 56: Radlett 173-8. Largievbury 152, Hitchm 234-7. Lulon Town 216-5; Hoddesdon 197 North Myrans 196-4; West Herts 181-9. Sawbridgeworth 166, Berkhamstead 198-5. Herner Herno-stead 142: St Alberra 80. Welwyn Garden Chy 83-8, Beshop'S Storflord 199 Potters Ber 138-9 Welford Town 160, Severage 164-8, Barnet 101, Cheshunt 102-6.

CENTRAL LEAGUE: Bedworth 163-9, Biossomfield 164-2; Hinokley 269-2, Lich-tield 176-7, Nuneaton 205-8, Burton 105, Rugby 136, Lecoster Numbro e 137-7, Water Orion 151, Kenilworth Wds 152-5 DERBYSHIRE BUILDING SOCIETY LEAGUE: Wirksworth 100, Derby 101-1, A and B 153-5, likeston 157-2; Quamdon 166-

7, Ockbrook, 167-7; Spondon 179-8, Sawley 183-5, Stansby Hali 276-6, Morton 159-7; Langley Mili 250-5, West Haliam 54 DRAKES HUDDERSFIELD LEAGUE: Elland 252-6, Stadhwate 138-8; Kirkburton 106-7. Skelmarthoppe 202-6; Kirkheaton 218, Lascelles Hall 22-9; Marsden 118-6, Hohreith 185: Mettham 124-5, Broad Cak 121-9, Scholes 240-9, Thongsbridge 106-8; Shepley 162-8, Hall Bower 142-9 FURROWS SHROPSHIRE LEAGUE: Luc-ion 179, Birdgnorth 81; Shjewsbury 156, St Georges 159-4; Wellington 124, Wroxeler and Uppington 120

GREENE KING SUSSEX LEAGUE: Leves Priory 199-8dec. Brighton and Hove 202-2. Hastings 141, Littlehempton 144-5; Chich-seter 152, Middleton 128: Three Bridges 226-3dec, Crowborough 52: Worthing 59, Berhall 60-3 Abandon et: Sidley v East-bourne: Presion Normads v East Grinstead LESS BREWERY LEAGUE: Prestwich 103, Denton Sullaw 104-7: Denton West 112, Denton 92, Dulonfield 152-9, Cheetham Hill 145, Harm 142-8, Sale Moor 134; Thombian 195-6, Longsight 89, Woodbank 120, Glossop 69: Woodhouses 92, Roe Green LITTLEWOODS LIVERPOOL AND DISTRICT LEAGUE: Birkenheed Park 120,

Bootle 140-6; Colwyn Bay 152-6, Chester Boughton Hai 151-7: Ormelurk 145, Huyton 97, Newton Le Willows 153-6, Oxton 157; Northern 171, Wilgan 105; Northop Hail 195-Adec, Marchavel 106-4; Wallasey 175-3dec, SI Hailers 148-9; Southport and Brikdale 167-4, Neston 183 167-4. Neston 163
MBDDLESEX COUNTY LEAGUE: Enheld
143. Brondesbury 140-7. Ealing 119.
Frichley 120-1: Sth Hampstead 99, Sth
Homsey 101-2: Southgate 199-6. Nith
Middleses 212-96ec, Hampstead 159,
Richmond 117: Sheperds Bush 186-8dec,
Teddington 151-8. Wembley 190-6dec,
Usamore 206-8
MIDLAND, COMPINIST. MIDLAND COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE: Akiridge 145, Streetly 145-8; Drohwch 143-8, Highwary 144-4, Four Claks Sants 129-8, Kentiworth 130-9; Pelssal 121, O Edwardsians 116; Redditch 186-6, Hamp-ton 126-9; Walmiey 215-7; Warcester 30

NORTH WALES LEAGUE: Berghem 168-8, Lay 132; Mochdre 132-9, Brymbo 133-3, Bengor 124-8, Connahs Quay 125-8; Halkyn 190-8, Bethesda 83; Hawarden Park 99, Ponthyddyn 100-2; Shotton 50, Uan-dudno 51-6 NORWICH UNION NORFOLK ALLIANCE LEAGUE: Ingham 122, Swardeston 123-4, Cromer 97, Barleycoms 100-1; Downham 146-9, O Buckenha 148-1, Vauchell Mai-

NUCLEAR ELECTRIC SOUTH LAKELAND LEAGUE: Ingleton 242-6, Bolton Le Sends 81-8; Warton 141-9, Arnside 178-8, Westgele 181-8, Timpel 127; Shireshead 188-8, Windermere 85-9; Galgate 116, Sedgwick 118-8, Holme 95, Burneside 96-3.

THOMAS ARMSTRONG LTD CUMBRIA LEAGUE: Workington 133-8, Appleby 134-2: Cockermouth 210-5, Cleator 89-7; Ederhall 224-3, British Steel 152-7, Penrith 226-5, Femple Sowerby 216-8, Sootby 120, Keswick 123-2; Wigton 195-6, Egremont VALIX RIBBLESDALF LEAGUE: Blackburn Northern 51, Ribblesdele Wanderer 55-2, Burnley Betvedere 118, Greal Harwood 119-1: Selesbury 106, Burnley GSOB 105. Cherry Tree 171-7, Chreeroe 172-7; Old Rossenfallaris 173-4, Read 140-7; Padihern 162-8, Earby 184-8

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Hooked — right from the first cast

Caroline Brannigan goes to

Devon's Lifton Valley in search of the wily brown trout - and

discovers the bond that unites

all fly fishermen

The third time a 6lb trout cruised past the imitation fly bobbing on the surface of the glistening lake proved too much for the new fisherman. Stamping his rubber waders in frustration, he turned to the instructor for advice. "How about a nuclear bomb?" was the reply.

It seemed like a good idea on a fruitless afternoon which had reached the point where even an old boot would have been stuffed and mounted in a glass case. One thing they can't teach on a weekend beginners' trout-fishing course is patience and we showed the unyielding water what we thought by giving it a sound thrashing, rather like Basil Fawity beating his broken-down Mini with a branch.

Ten of us, seven men and three women of various ages, had met that morning at the Arundeli Arms Hotel in the Lifton Valley, Devon, where five rivers, including the Ta-mar, are home to wild brown trout, sea-trout and salmon.

First there was a talk by Anne Voss Bark, the owner of the hotel and wife of Conrad Voss Bark, the former angling correspondent of The Times. Her passion for the sport was infectious, despite a bloodcurdling demonstration on

how to get hooks out of hands. The mistake most people make is in thinking that fishing is just about landing fish on the bank. It's also an escape back into childhood, a boys' own adventure, beginning with a chance to dress up.

The waistcoats with which we were provided contained plenty of toys in the many pockets, including fishing lines, sticky stuff to make things float, mucky stuff to make things sink, a pair of scissors and several boxes of

This isn't your average bluebottle, but delicately-tied imitations of some of our most beautiful insects which hatch in rivers and emerge for a brief dance of courtship before mating and dying, sometimes within a single day.



These are food for the trout and the fisherman must watch to see what is hatching and select an imitation fly on a hook to match. Fly-fishermen do not throw maggots on to ponds then snooze under vast umbrellas as they wait for their float to bob as a fish takes. They creep through rivers casting out a line, hoping for a bite.

rmed with the hotel's fishing rods, we went down to the **A**three-acre lake where instructors Roy Buck-ingham and David Pilkington can teach pupils to cast without too much fear of snaring a

which splashes and whips scares off the wily brown

Roy and David. with a list of lines out long and straight that if we didn't, Roy would stroll up and tell one of his appalling jokes.

Two of the women, including me, were not absolute beginners but had been spoonfed by our fishing husbands and now wanted to be more independent. It was a revelation to me to find that a slight change in technique improved my casting dramatically. Was



local villager. Casting a line so that it lands softly and straight on the water is vital for coming the fish into thinking the fly at the end is a real one. A line

qualifications almost as long as their fishing rods, sent their while we dropped ours like plates of spaghetti. Yet we got better, spurred on by the fear



embarrassing to place on the hotel's hall planer. The sun

shone over an idyllic picnic

lunch and then the heavens

opened in classic, steady Dev-

on style. We must have been

keen as we all returned to the

the discovery that the instruc-

tors were not, after all, immor-

tal. Solomon, David's black

labrador, had sat its five stones on his fishing rod while

it was propped against a tree and snapped it. A good excuse

to treat himself to a new one,

Everyone on the course said they would definitely fish

again and went off damp but happy. We had all got on very well with each other

enjoyed the common bond

which unites all fly fishermen.

As I drove home contentedly, it occurred to me that there had been no annoying prat in

the group. After all, there's

usually one. Then I had a

nasty thought, maybe it was

The weekend finished with

hunt despite the rain.

this something the men had been keeping from us

After lunch at the hotel, we suffered the embarrassment of watching a video of the morning's efforts, followed by a lesson in tying fishing knots which resembled a Women's Institute knitting meeting.

Back at the lake our previously harmless rods were armed for action with flies - a dangerous moment. David Pilkington recalled one pupil who developed a disastrous figure-of-eight casting technique which impaled the hook in the back of his waistcoat. Not noticing this, the man kept on waving the line wildly, slowly wrapping himself up until he could no longer move his arms. it had taken some

time to free him. Surely we couldn't be that bad. The sun shone, primroses dotted the grass with yellow, swallows dipped and dived into the lake and buzzards circled slowly overhead. As we forgot about the pressures of the outside world, it began to matter less and less that David

could put out a line and haul in a brown trout at will, while our offerings were ignored.

At least fish was on the menu in the hotel restaurant. with its three AA rosettes. It was also the main topic of conversation among those of us staying there with lots of strange gesticulating which bemused the non-fishers at other tables and put them indanger of receiving a black

or Michael, a retired sales director, fishing was a revelation which had come bet ter late than never. Andrew, a 38-year-old tax consultant, had at last decided to join in with

his father's life-long hobby. After a Sunday morning lecture on insect life from Mrs Voss Bark, came the best dressing up bit, which is the thigh-length rubber waders. Roy Buckingham's jokes became, if possible, even worse.

Then it was down to the River Lyd for the real thing. "Bet I catch a bigger tree than you do," said Andrew. In fact, he managed to catch himself. impaling the fly in his waistcoat.

The tree cast speckled shadows over the shallow water making its way from Dartmoor to the sea and wild daffodils nodded on the bank. Our instructors showed us

where the fish were likely to lie and how to avoid catching our lines in the bushes. As we spread out along the river, several small trout oblig-

ingly gave themselves up to us, which we returned as too

TRANSPACES

■ The Arundell Arms, Lifton, near Launceston, Devon, (01566 784666) has 20 miles of its own fishing and runs beginners' weekend trout-fishing courses costing £140, (under-17s £95). A four-day

beginners' course is £255 (£165). There are also courses n salmon and sea-trout fishing and fly tying. Vassily meals extra. Information on other

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provided.

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You will need £15 Environment Agency Trout Fishing Licence, available at post offices.

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The trout season varies between areas, but is roughly from March to September.

Brown trout are found wild in rivers and lakes. You can also catch them from artificial lakes known as stillwaters, which are more commonly stocked with rainbow trout bred for the DUTDOSE.



Selecting a fly — the choice is vitally important

SHEEHAN on BRIDGE By Robert Sheehan, bridge correspondent In the Weekend section I recently gave a hand in which the declarer went wrong in not foreseeing that he would be squeezed in Demetri Marchessini's invitation tournament in March.

on the run of dummy's long suit. The same thing happened to me Dealer North North-South game Aggregate scoring

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(1) Showing a hand in the 3-10 range with at least nine cards in the majors.

Danny Davies, who along with Tom Townsend was in the British team that won the World Junior Championship last year, made the intelligent lead of the king of diamonds. When you have a suit like that, and think the best chance is to set it up immediately, leading the king gains if any of the other three hands has the singleton queen.

With some woolly idea of cutting the communication if the suit was 7-2, I ducked the opening lead. West continued diamonds, and now after aceking of clubs, I realised my error - on the fifth round of clubs I would have no good discard, as I would either have to unguard the spades or let a small heart go.

I made the best of a bad job at that point by laying down the ace of hearts, hoping West had a singleton honour, but to

If I had taken the first diamond I could have discarded a small diamond on the fifth club, and then led the jack of hearts, setting up my ninth

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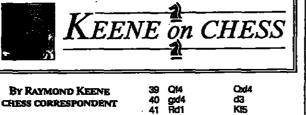
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By Philip Howard **CARIBBEAN WORDS**

BAZODI a. A googly c. A pink yam

OBSOCKY a. Badly dressed b. Drunk

KELLICK a. To gossip b. A knock-out punch c. A stone anchor QUEH-QUEH a. A parrot ' b. A salt marsh c. A wedding party



CHESS CORRESPONDENT

Anand leads

After three rounds of the top tournament at Seville in Spain the Indian grandmaster Viswanathan Anand has moved into the sole lead with 212 points out of three. Six rounds remain to be played. World champion Garry Kasparov has also scored his first win, overwhelming Alexei Shirov, formerly Latvia and now Spain.

White: Miguel Illescas Black: Viswanathan Anand Seville, May 1996

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Third round results

Kasparov beat Shirov: Illescas lost to Anand; Ivanchuk drew with Kamsky; Kramnik drew with Gelfand; Polgar lost to

Fourth round results In round four the Indian Grandmaster Anand, who last year challenged for the world championship, retained his lead, defeating the Ukranian

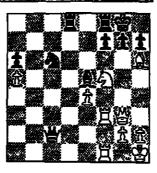
Grandmaster Ivanchuk in 46 moves. Other round four results: Shirov drew with Topalov, Kamsky drew with Kramnik; Kasparov drew with Illescas while Gelfand beat

Leading scores: Anand 312. Gelfand 3, Kasparov and Topalov ☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess Monday to Friday in

Sport and in the Weekend

By Raymond Keene

This week and in weeks to come I will This week and in weeks to come I will be concentrating on positions by Anatoly Karpov, the detending FIDE champion and his challenger Gata Kamsky. Their match for the FIDE World Championship is due to start on June 6, White to play. This position is a variation from the game Karpov — Polugaevsky, Moscow 1974. White has a very promising kingside initiative. Can you see how he now broke through in drastic fashion?





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or more registered titles was The Court of Appeal so held in a reserved judgment allowing an appeal by Mr John Kay-Green and other tenants of Tudor Court and Tudor House, Hanworth, against the dismissal by Judge Hull, QC, at Staines County Court on August 23, 1994 of their application for a declaration that Twinsectra Ltd, the landlords, were in default in not complying with a notice served pursuant to section 12 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1987 and therefore the ienants were entitled to require the landlords to transfer the reversionary interest in the property to

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The freeholds of the properties where the tenants lived were together with an adjoining prop-erty, Parr Court, under two titles. The properties were all sold at auction as one lot.

Mr David Neuberger, QC and Mr Edward Denehan for the tenants; Mr Kim Lewison, QC and Mr Simon Brilliant for the

LORD JUSTICE ALDOUS said :-that the 1987 Act, as stated in the title, was passed, inter alia, "to confer on tenants of flats rights with respect to the acquisition by them of their landlord's reversion". In outline, Part I of the Act gave to certain tenants the right of first refusal to acquire the landlord's reversion. Section 1 stated that a landlord should not make a rele-

Yant disposal affecting any fremises to which Part I of the Act applied without serving a notice in accordance with section 5 on qualifying tenants, thereby giving the tenants first refusal. Sections 11 to 17 came into effect when the original landlord had, in

breach of his obligations, disposed of his reversion to a new landlord Section 12 gave the requisite majority of qualifying tenants the right to landlord requiring him to dispose of the estate or interest that was the

terms on which it was made to a person or persons nominated by them for that purpose.

The first question for decision was: did a landlord, upon whom a valid purchase notice had been rved, have to give effect to it? The landlords submined that the Act did not contain any requirement that a landlord who was served with a section 12 purchase notice need comply with it. All that the section did was to provide for

They submitted that the Act did impose duties, as could be seen, for example, in sections 1, 5, and 11. In contrast section 12 contained no such duty upon a landlord to comply with the notice when

service of a notice in a particular

The landlords submitted that the courts should not construct a duty which was not there. If there was a lacuna, as they submitted there was, it should be remedied by Parliament and not by the court. The tenants submitted that a landlord who was served with a purchase notice had to give effect to it. Although there was no section of the Act which so stated, the requirement was found expressly or implicitly in the Act.

His Lordship believed the tenants were right. The 1987 Act was an Act "to confer on tenants of flats rights with respect to the acquisition by them of their land-lord's reversion". To give effect to that, it was necessary that a landlord should, when served with a purchase notice, comply with it and to decide to the contrary would be failing to comply with the stated intention of the legislature.

In any case, his Lordship believed that the words of section 12 to give effect to the notice. Section 12(1) enabled qualifying renants to serve a purchase notice on the new landlord, "requiring him ... to dispose of the estate or interest that was the subject-matter of the original disposal"; and subsection (4) referred to "where the property which the new landlord is required to dispose of in pursuance of the ourchase notice.

Thus the section assumed that the purchase notice operated so as to require disposal and provided a duty as to the way the property had to be disposed. Further, to accept the landfords' submission would mean that sections 12 to 17 had no purpose as a landlord could refuse to comply with a purchase notice which had been served. That was

His Lordship had not found it necessary, when concluding that to rely upon the heading of section 12 which made it clear that such a duty existed. Even so, his Lordship believed it clear that the section

The second issue was whether

the purchase notice had been served by the requisite majority of qualitying tenants? The landlords submitted that the

meant, in the present case, the complex as a whole, meaning Tudor Court, Tudor House and the adjoining property, Parr Court. If so, the tenants did not have the requisite majority defined in sec-They also submitted that

premises" to which Part I applied had to be comprised within one registered title. There were estates in land capable of subsist ing or of being conveyed, namely an estate in fee simple absolute in possession or a term of years absolute and, by virtue of section og of the Land Registration Act 1925 each separate registered title was a separate estate in land, Therefore the "premises" could not comprise more than one estate. Thus, the premises must be enwithin one land registration title.

His Lordship could not accept that title was relevant. The word meaning. It was a word which over

Hadfield v Knowles and

Before Sir Thomas Bingham, Mas-

ter of the Rolls, Lord Justice Hirst

Where the Court of Anneal was

prepared to allow an appeal by consent of parties who were sui juris it would usually make that

order on paper without a hearing.

of (a) consent orders where one party was an infant or a patient in

a case not covered by Order 59, rule 23 of the Rules of the Supreme

Court and of (b) structured settle

ments negotiated in cases under appeal, the appropriate order

would be made in open court without the parties being repre-

The Court of Appeal so stated: (i)

setting out the procedure to be adopted in such cases and (ii)

giving its approval to a structured

settlement, agreed while the mat-

ter was under appeal, between the

Hadfield, and the second defen-

dant, the Motor Insurers Bureau.

recommended acceptance of the

settlement, the Court of Protection

dvisers of the plaintiff, Clinton

Where its approval was required

and Lord Justice Aldous

Judgment May 16]

Another

the years had been applied to houses, land, shops, and the like with the result that it had come to

mean real property of some kind, Thus the Act stated that a landlord should not make a rele property without serving a section 5 notice, if it consisted of the whole or part of a building and it contained two or more flats held by

qualifying tenants and the number

huilding was included within one

those flats exceeded 50 per cent

It followed that the question of whether a relevant disposal of premises had been made had to be ing basis. Thus when ascertaining whether the tenants were a reouisite majority, it was not appro-priate to take into account Parr Court. Each building had to be

considered separately. Accordingly, the section 12 notice served by the tenants was valid them would be granted.

Lord Justice Staughton and Sir John May delivered concurring Solicitors: J. E. Kennedy & Co. Harrow: Wallace & Partners.

granted sealed authorisation to

counsel for the plaintiff recom-mended that the Court of Appeal

Neither party was present nor

THE MASTER OF THE

ROLLS said that the types of cases

I Consent orders relating to ap-

peals and applications where one

of the parties was an infant or a

2 Structured sentements which

were agreed on at the Court of

3 Cases where the Court of Anneal

was prepared to allow an appeal

such cases were listed for mention

before the full court with all parties

represented. That had the effect of

was anxious to do all it could to

For a long time, requests for

tions by consent where the relevant

parties were sui juris had been

certain circumstances. But it did

not cover all cases involving pa-

tients and did not apply where the

missals of appeals or applica-

The past practice had been that

be asked to give its approval.

represented.

concerned were:

Appeal stage; and

keep costs down.

sign the agreement and leading

Shares misrepresentation claim Soden and Another v British and Commonwealth Holdings ple (in administration)

Before Lord Justice Russell, Lord Justice Hirst and Lord Justice Peter Gibson

Judgment May 15] A claim by a purchaser of shares in a company for damages in respect of negligent misrepresentation by the company inducing him to purchase such shares was not a claim by a member in his character as such within the meaning of section 74(2)(f) of the Insolvency Act 1986. A sum due as damas isrepresentation could not be

said to be due by way of dividends, profits, or otherwise in the terms of

the section. The section could apply to a claim for unliquidated damages The Court of Appeal so held dismissing an appeal by the plaintiffs John Francis Soden and Peter Sheldon Padmore, the adminfrom a decision of Mr Justice in proceedings arising from claims against Atlantic Computers by British and Commonwealth Hold-

ings plc, the first defendants, and Barclays de Zoete Wedd Ltd, the

More recently, the court had

structured settlements.

tured settlements.

dure would be adopted:

1 Where parties who were sui juris

were asking for an appeal to be

allowed by consent, a copy of the

that the parties were sui juris and

to be sent to the Registrar of Civil

The court would then consider

whether it was appropriate to allow the appeal by consent. If so,

it would generally make the order

2 Where a consent order needed

appropriate hecause one of the parties

If on consideration of the docu-

ments the court considered that the

consent order should be approved

for negligence and misrepresenta-tion. The second defendant was not involved in the appeal. Section 74 of the 1986 Act

second defendants for damages

(I) When a company is wound up, every present and past mem-ber is liable to contribute to its assets to any amount sufficient for payment of its debts and liabilities, and the expenses of the winding up, and for the adjustment of the rights of the contributories among

"(2) This is subject as follows -... (f) a sum due to any member of the company (in his character as a member) by way of dividends profits or otherwise is not deemed to be debt of the company, payable to that member in a case of competition between himself and any other creditor not a member of the company, but any such sum may be taken into account for the

Mr Robin Potts, QC and Mr Dan Prentice for the appellants; Mr William Stubbs, QC and Miss Catherine Roberts for B & C.

purpose of the final adjustment of

the rights of the contributors

LORD JUSTICE PETER GIB-

Approving appeals without parties

patient was the respondent, nor to the matter would be listed but without any party being repre-sented, and the order would be

made in open court. 3 Where the party was a patient orders on paper without a hearing and the case was not covered by to cases where it was prepared to Order 59, rule 23, the same allow an appeal by consent. A procedure would be adopted, but similar approach was to be the documents lodged were also to include any relevant reports preadopted in the case of approval by the Court of Appeal of consent pared for the Court of Protection orders where one party was an and a document evidencing formal infant or a patient and of strucapproval by that court where In future the following proce-

4 The same procedure was to be llowed in the case of a structured settlement negotiated in a case under appeal. The documents were to include those which would be required in the case of a structured settlement dealt with at first instance.

If in any of those categories of case the court required further documents before deciding whether to approve the order or member of his staff would notify the solicitors of what was required

In future the court would only list any such case for mention at a hearing to be attended by the parties' advocates if it considered resolved in any other way, or that for some other special reason such a hearing was necessary or

subsidiary in connection with loss suffered because of a diminution in value of its holding in the subsid-iary. B & C also sued Barclays de Zoete Wedd, which had advised it on the acquisition of Atlantic, for damages for breach of duty. Mr Soden and Mr Padmore, narmers in Price Waterhouse.

court, said that in 1988 British and

Commonwealth Holdings plc had taken over Atlantic Computers plc

B & C said it was induced to do

was worthless or worth

so by false and misleading representations from Atlantic's directors as to its value when in

far less than £400 million. Both

companies had subsequently collapsed.

In 1994 B&C, acting by its administrators, had sued Adantic

in damages for negligent mis-representation. Unusually, that ac-

tion included a claim by a parent

company against a wholly

at a cost of over \$400 million.

The administration included a scheme of arrangement under section 425 of the Companies Act after the payment of preferential should be distributed pari passu to meet the claims of the holders of what were called "scheme

fore Mr Justice Robert Walker. determine, inter alia, whether and against Atlantic in the main action. upheld on trial and on appea would succeed in turning B & C's position from that of a holder of worthless shares into that of a

creditor ranking with ordinary The judge had decided that any damages or costs which B&C might be awarded in its action against Atlantic would not be sums owing to B & C in its character as a member within the meaning of section 74(2)(f). He gave a negative answer to a similar question about

BZW's position. In the judge's view the proper principle was "members come last" in other words that "a genera subordination of the rights of members to those of creditors is part of the price that Parliament exacts for the conferment of the privilege of incorporation, particularly with limited liability." But he had added that it would

be absurd to discriminate against a creditor of a company simply because he happened to be a member of the company, if his claim as a creditor had no close connection with his membership. Justice Cotton and Lord Justice Lopes in Re Addlesione Linoleum

Co ((1887) 37 Ch 191) on section 38(7)

of the Companies Act precursor of section 74(2)(f). Those dicta in support of the view that a claim for damages for misrepresentation was a claim for sums due to members in their character as such by way of dividends, profits or otherwise.

Webb Distributors (Aust) Pty

were obiter

Ltd v State of Victoria ((1993) 11 authority for the proposition that damages for misrepresentation by a company as to the nature of its shares, which induced a contract to subscribe for shares in the com-However, the court had con-cluded that neither case gave proper weight to the statutory cepted that the underlying ratio-nale of section 74(2)(f) was the principle of the maintenance of

capital or the principle that mem bers came last, but while their Lordships were wholly in sympathy with those principles, the legislature had chose not to give universal application to them. The legislature had imposed limiting conditions by requiring

the sum due to the member to be so by way of dividends, profits or

when a member claimed damages for misrepresentation inducing him to purchase shares in the market, the damages were not due to him in his character of a member.

Their Lordships repeated the words of the Australian High Court in Webb Distributors that the statutory provision "will not prevent claims by members for damages flowing from a breach of contract separate from the contract to subscribe for the shares. By parity of reasoning, a claim for damages in tort for misrepresentation inducing a contract other than would also not be prevented by the

But whether that was right or wrong their Lordships could not see how a sum due as damages for misrepresentation could be said to be due by way of dividends, profits or otherwise. There was no genus covering dividends and profits to which the damages could belong, nor were they analogous to divi-

That was sufficient to dispose of the appeal, but their Lordships also considered whether a claim for unliquidated damages could fall within section 74(2)(f). In their due" in that section included a liability for unliquidated damages

The appellant was granted leave to appeal to the House of Lords. Solicitors: Cameron Markby Hewitt: Stephenson Harwood.

was an infant a copy of the proposed order signed by the dealt with on paper without a The plaintiff was a patient, His Lordship considered the history and construction of section parties' solicitors was to be sent to that there were problems about a proposed order or settlement whose affairs were supervised by there was a duty upon a landlord Order 59, rule 23 made provision the registrar together with an to give effect to a purchase notice, the Court of Protection, as a result oninion from an advocate acting 74/20th. In his judgment the court for a dismissal by consent to be which could not be satisfactorily on behalf of the infant. in an accident involving the first defendant. His legal advisers signed on behalf of a patient in

Appeals,

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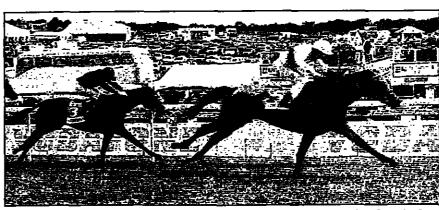
1780 and is for three-year-old colts and fillies over one and a half miles. Of the last 32 Derbies, 24 have been won by either the first or second favourites. The Derby is also one of the histori-

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ties and racecards. This is the second year Vodafone has sponsored the Derby Festival

the Vodafone Dash. Prize money for this year's Derby is £850,000. The Derby, one of the most popular

7 ould a Labour government raise taxes on business? No one is saying no, and that usually means yes. Kenneth Inglis, head of Fleming Investment Management, fears that business is vuinerable because Labour would be under pressure to eschew extra personal taxes. At a conference organised by Alexander Clay, the pension consultant, last week, he noted that corporation tax takes less than 6 per cent of national income here, against 7 per cent in America, 9 per cent in Germany and nearly 15 per cent in France. Labour might be tempted to raise the UK tax by a third to net £12

billion more to spend. Weak politicians usually opt for hidden taxes to fool people into thinking they are not spending too much. But if Labour merely sought to redistribute business taxes to ease distortions and give better incentives, higher rates of corporation tax might not be such a bad idea.

Few tax reforms of recent years have been healthier than Lord Lawson's corporation tax shake-up. which traded tax breaks for a much lower rate, boosted revenue, cut abuse and lessened distortions. But the worst distortion remains. We continue to tax business costs more than business profits, via rates and employers' national insurance contributions - the jobs tax.

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The tax burden is high because big business is shedding too many jobs. After years of recovery, unemployment remains high and badly skewed. More armies of older men have involuntarily left the workforce. Big business sheds more fulltime jobs than commercial pressures justify: jobs tax makes them more expensive, and corporation tax subsidises redundancy and replaces labour by other factors.

Accounting conventions still flatter cost-saving redundancy unduly. The low rate of corporation tax, lazy managers and risk-averse City investors divert expansion into take-overs of businesses with their own workforces. So labour productivity gains are not matched by expansion to absorb the extra capacity they have created. The economy can only grow slowly without overheating. So taxes stay high.

Much has been made in the past fortnight of the apparent overnight conversion of Morgan Stanley's Stephen Roach, the economist billed as the apostle of the restructuring and downsizing of American big



business. Mr Roach has caught the mood of America, where AT&T's announcement of 40,000 job losses in January focused white-collar anger over macho management and Wall Street greed and featured heavily in Republican primaries.

"I must confess I am having second thoughts," he wrote. "Openended downsizing and real wage compression are ultimately recipes for industrial extinction." Fleet Street suffered too long from artificial over-manning and no profits. So even The Guardian duly chided Mr Roach for going softheaded. How could he deny the ideal of low-cost competitiveness, wage deflation and

the rapid creation of new jobs that the restructuring of American industry permitted? But restructuring is not the same as the constant need to curb costs and boost efficiency.

Mr Roach has not gone softheaded. Nor has he undergone a blinding conversion. More than three years ago, as America's downsizing craze neared its zenith. he expressed the same argument in almost identical terms. "Productivity gains cannot be sustained just by adhering to the slash-and-burn strategies of intensified cost-cutting," he insisted. "Such an outcome would lead to the hollowing of corporate America at precisely the time when rebuilding is essential."

At that time, however, he was optimistic. The restructuring of industry to make it competitive and profitable laid the foundation to transform and reinvigorate it. But that must be followed through with bold investment in expansion and new technology together with the "long-overdue upgrading of the quality of human capital" — another cry familiar in Britain.

The tone is different now because Mr Roach has lost patience and is losing hope. Companies can have no

future unless they survive recession and competition. But a permanent survival culture sacrifices the future. Investment remains historically low and investment intentions are poor. There are lots of new jobs, many good ones, but as unemployment falls, Mr Roach fears, workers will rebel against a decade of static real pay and industry has not lined up productivity gains from expansion to pay more without inflation.

Britain is so obsessed with America's example that downsizing is forced officially on the utility sector. the biggest in the land. Too much of domestic big business is paying out surplus funds rather than expanding from its leaner, fitter base. Politicians of left and right say we will not be able to afford existing public services even if unemployment shrinks to America's rate.

Our money authorities reckon Britain's economy can sustain only 2 per cent growth without overheating, against the 212 per cent the Federal Reserve is prepared to finance in America and the 3 per cent that Mr Roach reckons US industry should be able to deliver.

Business taxes can at least give better economic incentives. Why not shift some of the burden from tax on labour to tax on profit. at no cost to investors? Why not tax takeovers instead of subsidising downsizing, buybacks and special dividends? All taxes distort. To restore our finances to health, they need to nudge big business to use its lean muscle and raise the sustainable rate of growth.

DIARY

Hammer blow

BRITISH ENERGY claims

to have captured the longest

UK hammer throw on record

while filming for its latest

advertising campaign in the

run-up to its privatisation.

David Smith, ranked number

one hammer thrower in the

UK, was among a team of

athletes at Sheffield's Don

Valley Stadium casting for the

TV advert, when he threw a

giant 71.54 metres. Unfortu-

nately for David and British

Energy, the throw wasn't

made under competition con-

ditions, and has since been

Unsporting idea

DAVID MONTGOMERY,

chief executive of the Mirror

Group, has upset staff by

calling a strategy conference

in Chepstow for the second

weekend in June. Pity the

likes of managing director

Charlie Wilson, and Kelvin

MacKenzie, managing direc-

tor of Mirror Television, who

will be forced to forgo the

pleasures of the first Euro 96

football game, when England

kick off against Switzerland

on the Saturday, as well as the

annual delights of the Derby.

MADONNA is pushing up

the profits of a button maker

in North Yorkshire. Duttons

For Buttons, the haberdash-

ery, has been picked to pro-

duce the fasteners that will

hold Madonna's clothes to-

gether in her latest film, Evita.

The firm, which boasts 10,000

different buttons, has sent 500

samples for 32 costumes.

Drusilla White, Duttons's

owner, kept her lips buttoned

on the value of the order, but

confirmed that it was one of

CITIBANK has splashed out

about £5.000 on a video

attempt to recruit the

brightest students from the

London School of Economics.

Every year, Citibank puts 30

LSE students through their

paces, incurring heavy costs

to fly the shortlisted candi-

dates out to America. To save

time and money, the bank has

paid for the installation of a

computerised video link that

will allow this year's students

to partake in a face-to-face

"virtual" job interview, with-

SOMEBODY please send the

management team at Gat-

wick Airport a dictionary.

However commendable it

may be that RAA staff at

Gatwick reply individually to

about 600 customer comment

cards on average each

month, someone really ought

to check that their outgoing

letters don't include bloom

ers such as "I am sorry to

screens were out of sink".

out crossing the Atlantic.

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the company's biggest.

Job screening

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Space oddity

set to music

The Music Machine. Radio 3, 5.00pm.

It is a bit odd when you think about it: a piece of late 19th-century music becoming synonymous with a space exploration film released the year before man set foot on the Moon. Sue Nelson, the presenter, makes this good point in the first of five features about music and science fiction. She is talking, of course, about Richard Strauss's Also sprach Zathathustra and Kubrick's 2001—A Space Odyssey Just as odd is that 2001 also used music by another Strauss, Johann, written 30 years before Zarathustra. Nelson touches on a British chart-topper called Telstar, recorded in a north London flat. Rumour has it that one spand effect were created by depoling a miscrobeau defect. that one sound effect was created by dangling a microphone down a

Brussels Goes Bananas. Radio 4. 11.30am.

I am not sure how this modestly diverting half-hour would go down I am not sure how this modestly diverting half-hour would go down during a strong week on radio. On a relaxed Bank Holiday Monday, it just about earns its keep. Two improvisatory Belgian actors, Ton Lenaerts and Michiel de Vlieger, play EU market researchers on a wor pop trip to London. You know the kind of thing: wouldn't you prefer a straight banana? Or drive on the right side of the road? They fail to motivate a single Brit-in-the-street to become a real European. This is not surprising as the basis for their reasoning that Britain must stay in the EU is that it is always good for a family to have a slightly retarded child.

PM Stereo. 4.00em Charlie Jordan 8.00 Deve Pearce 11.30 Radio 1 Roadshow Live from Cytarthia Park in Merthyr Tydfii Newsbeat 3.30 Mark Goodier, Incl. 12.30 Newsbeat 3.30 Mark Goodier, Incl. 5.30 Newsbeat 7.00 in Concert Eternal 8.00 Easy Night 12.00 Wendy Lloyd

RADIO 2

PM Stereo 6.00 Martin Kelner 7.30 Sarah Kennedy 9.30 Ken Bruce 11.30 Anne Robinson 1.30pm Debbie Thrower 3.00 Ed Stewart 5.00 Helen Sharman 7.00 Art Isn't Easy — The Radio 2 Lecture 7.30 Malcolm Leycock 8.00 'Gene Kelly — Dancin' in the Rain 10.00 Unsung Heroes (5/6) 10.30 The Jamesons 12.05em Steve Madden 3.00 Alex Lester

RADIO 5 LIVE

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porr Hausmussik: Mozart (Clarinet Quintet in A, K581); Mendelssohn (String Quartet in A minor, Op 13) The BBC Orchestras, The BBC National Orchestra of Wales under Grant Llewellyn. With Ian Bostridge, tenor, and includes Handel (Oggan Concerto No 2 in 8 flat, Op 4

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Chris Choi 12.25pm Brain of Britain 1996. Robert Robinson hosts a new series of the general knowledge quiz. With contestants Duncan Grant,

Mergaret Hickey, Jane Teather and Cive Walters 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One, with Nick

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Ian Brodie meets members of Workaholics Anonymous

Burnout, an obsession with work for which treatment is similar to that for alcoholism

medicine clinic in Washington. "Your muscles are constricted, your whole physiology is in a high state of alert, and, over time, without a break, that makes people ill. It's like driving with the choke out all the time. You burn out

You really don't know the harm you're doing to your the engine. body," said Stephen Hersh, a professor of psychiatry and founder of a behavioural

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The human body can tolerate immense amounts of stress for a while, but not for ever.

After eight to ten years, said Dr Hersh, workaholics begin loading the dice in the direction of genetic illnesses and of suppressing their immune systems, significantly increasing their chances of severe arthritis, chronic fatigue and cancer. The first signs could be

lower back pain or migraines. Art C., a law professor in San Diego, realised his job could be killing him when it dawned on him that professional success had brought him no sense of serenity and comfort. His wife had joined

Alcoholics Anonymous, and, in helping her, he perceived that if he substituted work for alcohol, he had the same problem with addiction as she did. Six years ago he formed a chapter of Worksholics Aponvmous and has helped to start others. Anonymity is important in their case because

workaholics typically boast about overwork and need to cloak their grandiosity. Art C. said workaholism relates at its most obvious level

to type A personalities, maybe

with high blood pressure and

the potential for strokes. At a deeper psychological level, it makes a person rigid, defensive and unwilling to open up for close associations, even with spouses and children. At the deepest level, it numbs the soul by using work for the constant avoidance of asking who one really is inside.

The structure of modern society does not help. American wage-earners log the equivalent of an extra month of time at work each year compared with 20 years ago, according to a Harvard study.

esearch among twocareer families has found that working mothers routinely juggle as many as seven things at once, from meeting a deadline to lining up a baby-sitter. There is a tendency to cram schedules that are already too crowded with more overtime, health-club workouts that are joylessly rushed, school meetings and driving of children to after-school activities.

John, 35, has been in Workaholics Anonymous for 15

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(b) Stunned, bewildered, confused, dizzy. Light in the head, turned stupid. A corruption and survival of the past participle of the Old French abasourdir to dealen, stun daze, to dumbfound, bewilder. "This dazzling

beauty has plans to make the adjudicators bazodi with her radiance." (a) Misshapen, ill-fitting, very odd-looking; clumsily put together (of furniture, colours, clothes). (Of persons) ungainly and badly dressed (especially of women), fat and wearing conspicuously ill-chosen colours or clothing. (Of situations) ridiculous, hopelessly organised. A corruption of the Yoruba monkey + to break wind + to greet: monkey-fart.

(c) A small anchor. By extension a heavy stone used as an anchor. This is an example of an old English nautical word surviving in the Caribbean though it has faded away in the UK. A killick or killock used to mean a heavy stone used on small vessels as a substitute for an anchor, in Nelkson's navy and before.

OUEH-OUEH (c) In Guyana, a traditional set of celebrations by rural Black African nilies preceding a wedding. It involves the ritual "buying" of the bride and of the groom, processions from their homes, invitations to ancestral spirits by ritual, and to the living by ceremonial songs, much crotic singing and dancing in which women play a central role, and drumming and feasting, all of which reach a climax on the night before the wedding. Of African origin, perhaps linked with words meaning a footstep, laughter or copulation.

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far from healed. He has launched a small business offering yoga and meditation after a pell-mell, scattershot career as a reporter, lawyer, legislative aide and magazine publisher. He still worries about being married to his job. "I've allowed work to dominate my life and lost the capacity for intimate relationships. I struggle every day with the compulsion to do more things

than I can accomplish." Another American, Thomas, 42, grew up like many workaholics in a family that discouraged introspection and pointed instead to hard work as the path to love and respect. He set out determined to make something of himself, but, with no time for a family and with work as a distraction, he never stopped to ask himself who he was. He suffered excruciating back pain and was always exhausted. A year ago, he was working flat out for two non-profit groups when they both laid him off. Since has itved o

ings and discovered leisure. Julia works in PR and has attended the London chapter of Workaholics Anonymous for three years. She recalled the specific crisis of overwork that drove her to seek help. One day she worked from nine in the morning until midnight, went home for three hours sleep, started work again at five in the morning at home, returned to the office at eight and contin-

ued until six that evening. She said: "It's not just how long you work, but how much worrying you do. You lay awake at night, always thinking about the next day's work."

Now she has her job down to manageable hours and the quality of her work has improved. She is less grouchy and no longer ignores what her husband has to say. If work invades her thoughts at night, she gets up and reads a book and then goes back to bed to start afresh. Or she concentrates on the flowers in her garden. She still has difficulty doing nothing. "If I have space to fill, I tend to invite people over for dinner three nights a week, or I do

voluntary work." She reckons American doctors are well ahead of their British counterparts in recognising that workaholism can be as fatal as drugs or drink. "We British still keep a stiff upper lip rather than admit we have a problem," she said.

Workaholics Anonymous can be contacted through the London number for Alcoholics Anonymous, 0171-352 3001

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There's no resting in peace for Potter's Feeld

Suddenly, Karaoke makes sense. Now that Dennis Potter's second series has hit our screens (and the deep-freeze memories of Daniel Feeld have hit another), it becomes apparent that Karaoke was a prologue to Cold Lazarus (Channel 4), as simple as that. An overstretched prologue, admittedly (half an hour would have done it), Karaoke was designed to familiarise us with the memories, longings and ogling obsessions of its protagonist and writer. Now, since Potter's own memories, longings and obsessions were already very familiar. this unnecessary reinforcement arose either out of modesty or 2110gance, and I don't know which. But either way, I feel better now. Call me a cock-eyed optimist, but J

faced neuro-scientists led by Frances de la Tour. The excellent music and the fine film quality tell us not to laugh at any of this, and we don't. As Feeld's isolated memories spill out of his head like luminous mercury to hang in the air all wobby like a flashback (which they are, of course), the image is simply breathtaking. Last night the scientists sat in

the dark like good little punters. and watched his death through his own memory — the deathbed scene, the out-of-body experience. the tunnel towards a glorious light, and the howl of agony as he was recalled from paradise. One can't help chortling, of course, to think that of all the heads they might have been landed with, Daniel

longings and obsessions are no longer on telly (an unthinkable proposition), but by a stroke of

cosmic ill-luck are still hanging

about in his preserved synapses

waiting to be accessed by solemn-

Feeld's is the least likely to furnish them with simple documentary reality for their history seminars.

But that's their problem, thank goodness. Outside in the bad world of bubble-cars, Darth Vader cops and impenetrable jargon. reality is such a rare commodity that terrorists desperate for a restoration of ontological certainty are daubing walls with "RON" (Reality Or Nothing), and blowing people to pieces in gory restaurant massacres. ("RON" doesn't sound right somehow. I wonder if science fiction is more demanding than Poner quite realised?)

eanwhile. Potter follows the time-honoured tradition of using the future to satirise the present. In a brightly lit Los Angeles, a reptilian media baron talks poolside turkey with a vampish pharmaccutical baron-ess. Both are in the cynical business of drugging the proles to REVIEW



steal their lives, and are helpfully up-front about their devotion to evil. The baroness owns a cigarette, and smokes it - a crime which rates 30 years in prison, or "needle death if you sell it". Back in England, the scientists are stumped by a version of the BBC's 'producer choice", so that when they ask their own library for information, they receive with it an enormous bill in "Unidollars".

Reality or nothing is a strange demand (one might even call it unrealistic). Likewise "It's the Rons!" is an unlikely cry of panic, and one we never thought to hear. But you need a hook, and the marauding Rons are it. I fancy. To be honest, none of the leading characters is remotely interesting so far, especially since they keep explaining their brain research to each other - sustaining the intel-lectual hypotheticals immediately after their quiet dinner is interrupted by severed heads bouncing around. But among the scientists Ciaran Hinds - with Arthurian locks - looks as though he knows more than he's saying. He has one of those gruff. East European accents, and is called Fyodor. His eyes swivel occasionally, to indicate his unstated knowledge. I reckon he's a secret Ron.

On the other hand, one should not be carried away by the good looks. This rather noble figure

was, alas, the first to be enter-tained by Roy Hudd's spooner-isms (in flashback), and to coin in sympathy "Muck fee!" - which was so bathetic and out of place, I nearly cried.

Isewhere this weekend there was more television, of course. Television all over the place. You can't stop it. There's more today as well. Satur-day's final of Stars in their Eyes (IIV) was an emotional occasion. with the biggest telephone vote ever recorded in Britain; and it was won as usual by a spot-on, tip-top impersonation of a singer I'd never heard of. I ought to stop watching Stars in their Eyes. Michael Cockerell's A Very So-

cial Democrat (last night on BBC2) was a timely profile of Lord Jenkins of Hillhead, with great footage and the usual, beaming cooperation of the subject. Jenkins watched a Question Time scrap between himself and Norman Lamont, over withdrawal from the exchange rate mechanism. The some grew rather heated. "I just wish you would grow old gracefully," snapped Lamont, finally. Jenkins, of course, did not take this personally, then or now. He handled that better than I remembered," he mused.

Finally, BBCi's new Saturday game show Full Swing was crushingly awful. It's a golfing version of Big Break — with golfing celebrities such as Ronnie Corbett helping contestants to win money. Enjoyment is hampered by several factors: too many gimmicky games, untrustworthy virtual reality, general life-draining pointlessness, and Jimmy Tarbuck calling the women contestants "love". On the plus side, the sexist jokes have the authentic ring of the golf club. And also, of course, the viewers can shout "It's the Rons!" with genuine alarm.

BBC1 7.00am News (Ceefax) and weather

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1.30 Neighbours (Ceefax) (s) (69801737) 1.50 FILM: King Kong (1976) with Jeff Bridges and Jessica Lange. Colourful but doorned remake of the 1930s classic about a 50-ft ape that is transferred to America as a sideshow act, with disastrous results. Directed by John

Gulllermin (26693805) 4.00 Bristol 96: The International Festiva of the Sea (s) (244)

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hosts a special edition of the programme to mark 100 years of cinema in Britain (Ceefax) (s) (7718)

7.30 Watchdog Healthcheck. Includes a report on screening babies for cystic fibrosis (Ceefax) (s) (485) 8.00 EastEnders. The Fowlers decide to keep

their secret (Ceefax) (s) (6466) 8.30 Doctor Who. Feature-length film with Paul McGann as the time-travelling Doctor (Ceefax) (s)

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Cold Lazarus. The first of the lour-part, second segment of Dennis Potter's final work. In the year 2368, nearly 400 years after Feeld's body was deep frozen, scientists are about to tap into his brain. Starring Albert Finney and Frances de la Tour First shown las

night on Channel 4 (Ceefax) (s) (228447) 11.10 Bristol 96: The International Festival of the Sea. The final visit to the festival leatures a spectacular water, laser and fireworks display, the first of its kind to be seen in Britain (s) (754669)

11.40 Donovan's Reef (1963) starring John Wayne, Lee Marvin and Cesar Romero. Cornedy about three sailors settling down on a South Pacific island after the Second World War. The three live an idyllic life until one of them is that her father has a new Polynesian family. Directed by John Ford (399602) 1 25em Weather (6516472)

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signing) (2516060) 7.20 Songs of Praise (r) (Ceelax) (s)

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S. Kaulman (Ceefax) (3352534) 9.20 Huey Long. A portrait of one of America's most controversial politicians, assassinated in 1935 (Ceefax) (7268398) 10.50 Golf. The final round of the Volvo PGA

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1.30pm Golf. Further coverage of the Volvo PGA Championship (s) (7253060) 5.30 The Wartime Kitchen and Garden. Last of the series (r) (350)

6.00 Buck Rogers in the 25th Century (r) 6.45 They Who Dare: Paragliding. South African adventurer Alex Louw attempts to

break the world paragliding distance record (r) (Ceetax) (s) (510517) 7.00 The Empty Quarter. Sandy Gall explores the Empty Quarter of Arabia, the largest sand desert in the world (664114)



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Television 1. Billy presents the people and events that have changed his life With comedy from Max Wall, Chic Murray, Frankie Howerd, Jimmy Tarbuck and Stanley Baxter, music from Chuck Berry. Jerry Lee Lewis, Little Richard, Bob Dyla and Woody Guthrie; plus great sporting moments including the 1967 European Cup Final, Celtic v Inter Milan (s) (5824) 10.00 World Tour of Billy Connolly. The best of 25 years of Billy Connolly, with performances from Parkinson, Not the Nine O'Clock News, Comic Relief and

footage (s) (76553) 11.30 Billy Connolly's World Tour of Television 2 (611640)

The Late Clive James, plus rare concert

11.50 Golf. Steve Rider introduces highlights from Wentworth (s) (505553) 12.30am-6.00 The Learning Zone

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An Evening In With Billy Connolly BBC2, 7.50pm

The BBC's latest Bank Holiday theme night was to have included a revival of Kisses Ar Fifty. Colin Welland's poignant drama of a middle-aged man who goes off the rails. Sadly, it has been crowded out by other favourite television moments of tonight's host. But fans of Billy Connolly will not complain, particularly as much of the evening is devoted to the small screen appearances of the man himself. There are two wodges of them, a compilation from his World Tour of Scotland series and, to conclude the evening, an anthology of chat show guesting. Comic Relief films and stand-up routines. The filling for the sandwich comprises a televisual retrospective of Connolly's idols from comedy, music, sport and almost everything. comedy, music, sport and almost everything else. Thus Max Wall and Frankie Howerd share a bill with Nelson Mandela and the

Classic Cooper ITV. 8.00pm

"So the wife says to me, you know that steak and kidney pie I made for you? Yes, what about it? Well, the dog ate it. Don't worry, I'll get you another dog." Raiding the Tommy Cooper archives is a splendid idea for a Bank Holiday. More than ten years have passed since he died in harness, collapsing at the end of a live television show, but his humour ranscended time and place and will never date. The credits suggest an army of scriptwriters and his shows were rehearsed down to the smallest detail. But he always gave the impression that he had blundered onto the stage by mistake and had not the faintest idea what would happen next. He was furnier solo than in sketches, which is why tonight's compilation does not quite do him justice. But it is great to have him back.

Fair Game: Hold the Back Page Channel 4, 8.00pm

Bobby Robson was called a pionker and Graham Taylor a turnip. No wonder candidates for England football coach this twice before exposing themselves to a tabloid rubbishing. Greg Dyke's report, topically negged to the recent appointment of Glent Hoddle, recalls that even Alf Ramsey got the treatment once the memory of his World Cup England has not been a successful team for years, and with television covering all the big games newspapers have to do something different. Abusing coaches is a bigger circulation booster than straight match reports. Taylor talks of the effect of the turnip campaign on his elderly parents. The sports editor responsible admits that the derision went too far but that if he was in the job now he would probably be forced to do it again. Hoddle knows what to expect.

Doctor Who BBC1, 8.30pm

The nostalgic may hanker for the old blackand-white days, but the Time Lord has moved on. Dr Who's first adventure for seven years is full of head-spinning special effects and located in San Francisco with a mainly American cast. After a brief rance from Sylvester McCoy, the Doctor is "regenerated" as Paul McGann. But the plot is roughly the same as ever, to prevent the Master (played, with nasty green eyes, by the Hollywood actor Eric Roberts) from destroying the world. The Doctor has his usual female ally, a blonde surgeon (Daphne Ashbrook), and he even gets to kiss her. In this the show seems aimed at an older age group than it was in the 1960s and 1970s. The murky photography is not an asset. Peter Waymark

thty fr, 6.00am GMTV (2868422) 9.25 Sup Sweep (r) (Teletext) (s) (7110331)

9.55 Bugs Bunny's Lunar Tunes. miniature classic (r) (s) (5287878) 10.20 FILM: The Love Bug (1968) with Dean Jones. Disney film about a Volkswagen car with a mind of its own. Directed by Robert Stevenson (Teletext) (27355602)

12.20pm News (Teletext) (1441534) 12.30 Coronation Street (r) (Teletext) (80176) 1.00 Stuntmasters (1485534)

1.35 The Match -- Live: Crystal Palace v Leicester City. The Endsleigh League Division One play-off final at Wembley. (55534602)

NB: Subsequent programmes are subject to change or late running. 4.00 Laugh with the Carry Ons. Comedy 4.30 Walt Disney Cartoon (r) (9827114)

4.45 News and weather (6699756) 4.55 HTV News (Teletext) (9365195) 5.00 FILM: From Russia with Love (1963) Sean Connery stars as James Bond who is sent to Islanbul to help a Russian

Embassy clerk to defect. Directed by Terence Young (Teletext) (73398)
7.00 Tonight with Richard Madeley and Judy Finnigan. With Tina Turner (5114) 7.30 Coronation Street. Vicky starts making plans for her future and Percy Sugden

has an admirer (Teletext) (553)



The late Tommy Cooper (8.00pm)

8.00 Classic Cooper. Highlights from the career of the late Tommy Cooper (Teletext) (s) (1534) 8.30 Take Your Pick. Des O'Connor hosts the show in which contestants must decide whether to "take the money" or "open the box" (Teletext) (1599)

9.00 Bramwell. A young woman pedestrian is rushed to the Thrift after being knocked down by a carriage, but seems reluctant to let anyone examine her. (Teletext) (s)

10.00 News and weather (Teletext) (214718) 10.15 Regional News (Teletext) (752553) 10.20 The 1996 World Music Awards. Jean-

bost the 1996 World Music Awards from Monte Carlo (s) (748534) 12.20am Bushell on the Box (s) (4339003) 12.50 The Big Match - Replayed (1615521)

1.35 FiLM: One of Those Things (1970) starring Roy Dotrice and Judy Geeson Gripping thriller in which the hunted and hunter develop an erotic tascination for one another (264206) 3.10 The Crime Hour (6554461)

4.05 The International Festival of the Sea

4.30 The Time . . . the Place (s) (r) (74751) 5.00 The Powers That Be (r) (59954) 5.30 Morning News (44935)

As HTV West except; 12.30pm-1.00 Make 'em Laugh. A compilation of clips from lavounte

elevision and big screen comedies 12.25am The Big Match - Replayed (9967645)

1.10 Hotel Babylon Dani Behr meets the American actor Scott Wolf star of the recently released White Squall Music is provided by Dodgy, Lion Rock and Almee Man. Plus reports on Prague's gun culture and the first trash-film lestival in Lille, France (7553770)

1.50 Customs Classified. Stephen J. Cannell looks at the work of customs agents in America (1769886)

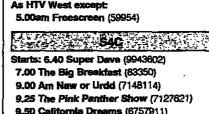
2.35 Jones and Jury Television courtroom dramas with legally-binding verdicts

3.00 Film: The Silent Woman (1989). A French-made psychological thriller starring Mane Christine Barrault, Veronique Genest and Pierre Clementi. A doctor witnesses an attack by a terrorist in an hotel. After giving a description of the attacker to the police she visits an isolated country estate on her own — but the attacker follows her (4316549)

4.25 Jobfinder (2983916) 5.20 Asian Eye (3688480)

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9.50 California Dreams (6757911) 10.20 Gemesmaster (6306089) 10.45 Mork and Mindy (182027) 11.15 Dog City (3379737) 11 35 Wildelde (8167992) 12.00 Right to Reply (50447)

12.30pm Alfred J. Kwak (88718) 1.00 Slot Meithrin (93737) 1.30 The Greatest. A comparison between the Welsh boxer Jimmy Wilde and the

Irish footbelling genius George Best (87089) 2.00 Eisteddfod Yr Urdd Bro Maelor. The first day's competition at the Eisteddfod, introduced by Huw Llywelyn Davies and

Caryl Parry Jones (820553) 4.30 Garden Party. Tom Barber visits Coton Manor Gardens in Northampton (466) 5.00 5 Pump: Uned 5 or Urdd (3992)

5.30 Fifteen to One. Fast-moving knock out general knowledge quiz, presented by William G. Stewart (718) 6.10 Pentecost 96 (440176) 7.00 Pobol Y Cwm (360060)

7.25 Eisteddfod Yr Urdd Bro (3203027) 8.30 News (189602) 8.45 Hidden Kingdoms: Wideawake Island. The flora and fauna of Ascension Island

9.45 Feast Day. Animation about a family Bank Holiday get-together (615263) 10.00 Sgorio (5578244) 11.05 Roseanne (748008)

11.35 NYPD Blue: We Was Robbed. Tension grows between Martinez and Lesniak when an attractive woman offers to shop her mobster (ormer boyfriend (356486)) 12.30am Music and the Mind (78664)

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7.00 The Big Breakfast (83350) 9.00 Saved by the Bell: The College Years (r) (Teletext) (7148114) 9.25 The Pink Panther Show (r) (s) (7127621) 9.50 California Dreams (r) (6757911) 10.20 Gamesmaster (r) (s) (6306089) 10.45 Mork and Mindy (r) (182027) 11.15 Dog City (r) (s) (3379737) 11.35 Wildside (r) (s) (8167892)

12.00 Right to Reply (1) (Teletext) (s) (50447) 12.30pm Sesame Street (r) (62973) 1.30

Wowser (5861060) 1.55 Waterways (r) (Teletext) (39124176) 2.25 Racing from Sandown. Live coverage of the 2.35, 3.05, 3.40 and 4.10 races (s)

(58742337). Followed by News and 4.30 Fifteen to One (Teletext) (s) (466) 5.00
The Montel Williams Show (Teletext) (s) (2027)

6.00 The Cosby Show (r) (Teletext) (331) 6.30 Hollyoaks (Teletext) (s) (911) 7.00 Elvis in Hollywood. With clips from

takes from Jailhouse Rock and his first screen test. Plus interviews with friends, colleagues, directors and writers (r) (Teletext) (1008)

8.00 Fair Game (Teletext) (s) (9176) 8.30 The Greatest. The viewers' votes have

been counted and the name of the winner will be announced (Teletext) (s) (1911) 9.00 Shops and Robbers. A Cutting Edge documentary tollowing Birmingham's newly-founded Shop Theft Squad. created to combat shoplifting, a crime which costs Britain's shopkeepers \$2 billion a year (r) (Teletext) (8832)



10.00 FILM: Reversal of Fortune (1990) with Jeremy Irons, in an Oscar-winning role, Glenn Close and Ron Silver. A dramatisation of the case of Claus you Bulow, who was sentenced to 30 years' imprisonment for the attempted murder of his wife and help of a Harvard law professor. Directed Barbet Schroeder (Teletext) (s) (55161535)

12.05am Dead Lucky. A True Stories documentary about Roy Ranson, a former detective chief superintendent at Scotland Yard, as he investigates leads to Lord Lucan, the peer who is the prime suspect in the murder of his family's nanny, that were not pursued by police 20 years ago because of a lack of resources (r) (Teletext) (s) (7442732)

1.05 FILM: Rasputin and the Empress (1932, b/w) starring Ethel, Lionel and John Barrymore. A drama about the last days of the Russian imperial court, dominated by the sinister influence of the monk Rasputin. Directed by Richard Boleslawski (27722393). Ends at 3.20

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6.00am Winter Light (1962) (50517) 8.00
Five Fingers (1962) (98718) 10.00 Following Her Heart (1994) (35640) 12.00
Free Willy (1993) (11669) 2.00pm Baby's Day Out (1994) (70727) 4.00 Police Academy: Mission to Moscow (1994) 47737 6.00 Tom and Jerry: The Movie (1993) (15060) 7.90 E Feature (1993) (62718) 10.00 Police Academy: Mission to Moscow (1994) (8862485) 11.25 Guilty as Sin (1993) (251195) 1.15em Invisible: The Chronicter of Benjamir Knight (1993) (7050515) 2.35 The House of God (1979) (580428) 4.20-8.00 Danny (1979)

SKY MOVIES GOLD 4.00pm The Yeerling (1946) (77214737) 6.10 The Seven Year Itch (1955) (33511027) 8.00 Valley of the Dolts (1967) (37080) 10.00 At Close Range (1968) (16089) 12.00 Derling (1965) (73073190) 2.05am-3.45 The Seventh

THE MOVIE CHANNEL

5.00am Journey to the Centre of the Earth (94945) 7.00 King Solomon's Mines (1966) (35911) 8.00 Cet City (1967) (89060) 10.00 Swallows and Amazons (1974) (33382) 12.00 A Home Amazons (1974) (33382) 12,00 A Home of Our Own (1994) (33851) 2,00pm The Gypsy Colt (1954) (383244) 3,45 The Remains of the Day (1993) (1034138) 6,00 My Brother's Keeper (1994) (81843) 8,00 The Client (1994) (53050) 10,00 Last Action Hero (1993) (80078447) 12,10am Modoratus (1993) (80246) 1,40 Night Eyes (1990) (632469) 3,20 Without 1990) (632469) 3,20 Without 1990)

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6.00am The Muppel Babies (9206092) 6.30 Duckales (38437640) 7.00 Queck Allack (87315973) 7.30 Raw Toonsge (87334006) 8.00 Raw Toonsge (87334006) 8.00 Raw Toonsge (8755562) 8.30 Strockums and Meal Furny Carloon (50154283) 9.00 Marsupilami (50178843) 9.30 Duckales (54719621) 10.00 FLM The Carlo Bears Move (73988114) 11.30 Darkwing Duck (87579805) 12.00 Darkwing Duck (87579805) 13.00 Darkwing Duck (87579805) 13.00 Chapter (85187807) 14.00 Chip in Dale Resous Ramgers (4517789) 5.00 Boy Meas World (471759640) 5.30 Darger Bey (45191689) 6.00 Targan (45181282) 6.30 Dinosaurs (45172534) 7.00 Zomo (47146176) 7.30 FIUN: Shaggy Dog (56391008) 9.00 Hollywood Ukre (97581640) 9.30-10.00 Dinosaurs (54700973)

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7.00am Gillette World Sport Special (50060) 7.30 World Cup Bloopers (24263) 8.30 Raoing News (77253) 9.00 How the Premiership Was Worl (29602) 11.00 World Premiership Was Won (29602) 11.00 World Wresting Federation — Manie (88843) 12.00 Max Out (8879) 12.30pm Sports Umlimited (90805) 1.30 101 Premiership Gosls (91534) 2.30 World League of American Football London v Amsterdam — Live (8421319) 6.00 Skiff Salling (285496) 6.30 100 Premiership Goels (65907) 7.30 Super League: St. Helens v Castleford — Live (730466) 10.00 Sky Sports Centre (401282) 10.15 Mororsport Indy 500 (834718) 12.15em Super League: St. Helens v Castleford (289683) 2.15-2.30 Sky Sports Centre (9082515)

10.00pm Bobby Chariton's Football Scrap-book (6054114) 11.30 A to Z of Sport (4768553) 12.30am-1.00 World of Jacke Stewart (7165515)

THE CHRISTIAN CHANNEL 4.00sm Thought for the Day 4.05 Worship 4.15 kids TV 4.30 Voice of Feith with Walter Hellam 5.00 Voice of Victory with Kennesh and Glona Copetand 5.30 Christian Music TV 5.45 Miracles — Yasterday Today and Forever 6.15 Word of Life with UII Byrnan 6.45-7.00 Good Morning Europe SKY SOAP 7.00am Guiding Light (8958911) 7.55 As the World Turns (2053244) 8.50 Peyton Place (7200398) 9.20 Days of Our Lives (1048718) 10.10-11.00 Another World

SKY TRAVEL . 11.00 Giobetroner (6251175) 11.30 Independera Travellers Guide (4457350) 12.30pm Floyd on Oz (3937176) 1.00 Getaway (2785094) 1.30 Greal Escapes (3836447) 2.00 Trailside (4862553) 2.30 Marsions (9237027) 3.00 Globetrotter (4841080) 3.30 Arbund the World (7595244) 2.56-4.00 Hobday Shop THE HISTORY CHANNEL

4.00pm The Most Decorated (6278756)

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THE SCI-FI CHANNEL

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SATELLITE AND CABLE

8.00am Tiny TCC (69331) 7.00 Sesame Street (22485) 8.00 Barney and Friends (93280) 8.30 Directations (43701) 8.00 Garfield and Friends (28911) 8.30 The wisted Tales of Fefa the Cat (32502) 10.00 Eck file Cal (2925621) 10.90 Earthworm Jim (2634263) 11.00 Gravedale High (18447) 11.30 Where's Wally? (19176) 12.00 isnogoud (15447) 12.30pm Creepy

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9.00 Biter Mice (99485) 9.30 Clarissa
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4,00pm Time Travellers (1485689) 4,30 Nature/Nature (1474553) 5,00 Legands of History (1434089) 6,00 Lifeboot (1462718) 6,30 Beyond 2000 (5543805) 7,30 Mysteri-History (1434089) 6.00 Lineboas (1492/16) 6.30 Beyond 2000 (5543005) 7.30 Mysteri-ous Forces Beyond (1475262) 8.00 Netural Born Killers (2645263) 9.00 Hitler (2665027) 10.00 Fast Cars (2568114) 11.00-12.00 The Science of Ster Trek (7074982) BRAVO

DISCOVERY

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FAMILY CHANNEL

5.00pm, Road to Avonies (8176) 6.00 Balman (6398) 8.30 Calchphrase (8850) 7.00 Tinviel Pursuit (8605) 7.30 The Fall Guy (22244) 8.30 Duty Free (7060) 9.00 Stay Lucky (58282) 10.00 Round the World Tressue Hunt (69689) 11.00 Neon Rider (42176) 12.00 The Fall Guy (71138) 1.00am Batman (56428) 1.30 All Together Now (70596) 2.00 Big Brother Jeke (74409) 2.30 Neon Rider (25206) 3.30 All Together Now (77596) 4.00-5.00 Road to Avonies (45393)

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(9111114) 8.00 VH-1 Album Chart (9191350) 10.00 The Bridge (7784398) 10.30 Planet Rock Profiles (7780718) 11.00 Tormity Vance (4746502) 1.00am-2.00 Ten of the Best (9784393)

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CNN provides 24-hour news and QVC is the house shopping channel. PERFORMANCE

and Marilyn Home 11.00 7th Symphony with the Dutch National Ballet 11.45 Arie 12.00-1.00em Leonid Chizhik

News on the hour.

8.15em The Money Programme 9.30 Top Gear 10.30 Machini Jaffrey 1.05pm Cornespondent 2.15 Business 2.30 Newshour Asia and Pacific 3.30 Earth Report 4.16 The Money Programme 5.30 Tomorrow's World 8.05 The Money Programme 8.50 Earth Report 9.30 Travel Show 12.10em Newsnight 4.05 Panorama 5.00 Newsday

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Southern Electric prepares rival bid for Southern Water

By Eric Reguly

SOUTHERN ELECTRIC is preparing to foil ScottishPower's plans for becoming Britain's first fully integrated utility by launching a rival bid for Southern Water.

Southern Water confirmed yesterday that it has been approached by at least two potential purchasers and said that "it has an open mind about both offers". It is understood that the bidding started at £1.3 billion. ScottishPower disclosed that it was

one of the candidates and it later emerged that Southern Electric was the other.
Southern Water's reaction suggests that

it is not guarding its independence and hopes to get the highest price possible by triggering a takeover battle between Southern Electric and ScottishPower.

ScottishPower recently approached the board of Southern Water, led by William Courtney, the chairman, and Martin Webster, the managing director, with a proposal to buy the company for about El.3 billion, compared with Southern Water's current market value of about £1 billion. Takeover speculation has lifted the water company's shares in recent months; they closed on Friday at 68lp, up

fop, against their year low of 593p.

A water company purchase would fulfil ScottishPower's goal of becoming Britain's first fully integrated utilities concern. The company generates and supp-lies electricity and last autumn expanded its electricity interests through the £1.1

billion purchase of Manweb, the regional electricity company in the North of England. It also has gas supply and telecommunications subsidiaries.

ScottishPower would prefer a friendly takeover, but would have no qualms about going hostile. Its pursuit of Manweb was one of last year's nastier takeover battles, establishing Ian Robinson, ScottishPower's chief executive, as one of the toughest and most aggressive managers in the utilities industry. SouthSouthern Water. Their franchises overlap in the South of England and could cut overhead costs by combining head offices and other operations, such as information

technology and billing systems.

Southern Electric, however, may run into political problems because merging some operations with Southern Water would inevitably reduce overall employment in the two companies. Furthermore, it might be seen as a move designed to

ern Electric is a natural partner for keep ScottishPower from introducing additional electricity and gas competition into the regional market.

Scottish Power is motivated by the prospect of adding customers through geographic expansion. It has a market capitalisation of about £3.2 billion, and appears to have enough financial muscle to take on Southern Water. Its gearing at the end of its last financial year was 52 per cent, in spite of the Manweb purchase, and its profits were £405 million.

UK economic record beats rest of Europe

By PHILIP BASSETT, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

THE Government will proclaim the UK's superiority over other European states in key aspects of economic performance in a White Paper on industrial competitiveness next month.

But the White Paper will acknowledge that the gap in performance between Britain and other competitor countries is not narrowing significantly, and that there are, in particular, big gaps over education and training.

A report on international competitiveness, to be pub-lished this week by the World Economic Forum, is expected to show an improvement in the UK's ranking against its principal competitor countries.

In the third annual White Paper on industrial and economic competitiveness, set to be published on June 13, the Government will contrast aspects of Britain's economic performance sharply with that of some other European countries. In particular, ministers will proclaim success in Britain in reducing unemployment and creating jobs, compared with France, Germany

and Spain. The White Paper will emphasise the importance to Britain's economic performance of a more deregulated labour market, and of the Government's policies aimed at promoting greater labour market flexibility, as well as avoiding policies widespread across Europe such as the minimum wage, which Lab-our is promising to introduce in the UK if it wins the next

It will also proclaim Britain's success in other areas, including attracting key inward investment from countries outside Europe. The White Paper is expected to point out that the UK pulls in two fifths of all inward investment coming into the EU.

However, the White Paper

will be unable to alter the Government's principal conclusion on Britain's competitiveness - that while the UK has a small number of world-class companies, it has a long tail of industrial underperformers that hold Britain back.

Though the document will emphasise the improvements made in the UK, Whitehall officials acknowledge that a

substantial gap - previous estimates have put it at about 25 per cent — exists between UK and other countries' com-

petitiveness performance. The central findings of the White Paper will focus on education and training. The competitiveness unit has carried out what it calls a "skills audit, looking in detail at how Britain's performance in training and education compares with other countries, and again finds significant underperformance in the UK. especially compared with the

US, Germany and Japan. Ministers are nervous about the results of the skills audit, which they fear will be used by Labour to attack the Government's record in a key electoral area - and one in which the Government, as the principal actor, will find it difficult to

shrug off the blame.
The White Paper will also include commitments on greater pay flexibility and the operation, from the autumn, of a national benchmarking service, which will allow companies to measure themselves against the best performers.

Dairy Crest

due to float



Father Charles wants Parliament's help in securing compensation after The Downside Abbey Trustees lost £60,000 in the Barings Bank crash

5860 million Barings Bank

The Downside Abbey Trust-

ees, a registered charity that

supports a number of projects

in 11 parishes around the

country, lost \$60,000 through holding Barings preference shares when the merchant

bank failed last year. Father

Charles told The Times: "I feel

it is quite scandalous that

crash.

Ashcroft has stake in buyer of ADT unit

By Jason Nissė

MICHAEL ASHCROFT, chairman of ADT, the Bermudaregistered security group, has emerged as a 15 per cent shareholder in the company that ht British Car Auctions, ADT's subsidiary, last year.

The sale, which followed a

six-month auction, was billed as being for \$340 million. But documents filed with the US Securities and Exchange Com-mission show that ADT has received only \$325 million from the disposal so far. The same documents show

that once the sale was completed, Mr Ashcroft bought a 15 per cent stake in the new owner for \$7 million. His interest was not disclosed at the time by ADT. ADT said: "We disclosed what we were advised by our lawyers was the information we were

obliged to disclose." The auction was a close-run thing. The eventual winner was Integrated Transport Systems, a company formed by Tom Gibson, who ran the car auctions business for ADT, and David Hammond, Mr Ashcroft's long-standing number two at ADT. Mr Hammond stood down as deputy chairman last month. Mr Harnmond has a 22.3 per cent stake in the new company and Mr Gibson 1.7 per cent.

The two runners-up were a management huyout team backed by Charterhouse Development Capital and a management buy-in backed by Prudential Venture Managers. Both venture capital companies believe there was little price difference between the offers.

"Our offer was a hair's breadth less than the price published on the deal," said Gordon Bonnyman, manag-ing director of Charterhouse Development Capital.

Prudential says it offered slightly less than Charterhouse, but believes that, as its offer gave more cash up front to ADT, it was worth as much The Integrated Transport

as the deal that was accepted. Systems deal was structured in a complex way. It gave ADT \$235 million in cash up front. The rest came in a mixture of loan notes, vendor notes and shares in the new company.

Abbot's battle of Barings

FATHER CHARLES, the Ab-bot of Downside, Britain's oldest Roman Catholic public people in Barings should have been paid out their generous bonuses, which, after all, were school, wrote to the chairman based on bogus profits, and of the influential Commons that elderly investors and Treasury Committee over the charities, such as ourselves, weekend to ask for his help in should be left out in the cold." securing a compensation pay-Sir Tom Arnold, chairman ment for money lost in the

of the Commons Treasury certainly consider the Abbot's letter sympathetically and we may decide that we need to take oral evidence from investors who lost money. There is a precedent in that we invited Lloyd's names and their action groups to give evidence in an earlier inquiry." The MPs, who are conducting their investigation into the Barings

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crash, have already received a written submission from the Barings Bondholders Action Group, whose members lost more than £100 million.

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ING, the Dutch banking and insurance group that bought Barings, has consis-tently maintained that it has no legal obligation to make any compensation payment to bond and preference shareholders. Nevertheless, certain senior executives within Barings are understood to be sympathetic to the plight of investors, and have been searching for a possible mechanism to address what has become a source of persistent embarrassment.

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- 9 Point of view (7) 10 Greenish tweed mixture (5)
- 11 Teatime food; smear thickly 12 Capital of Brazil (8)
- 14 A wonder (6) 15 Drank (animal); passed a
- second time (6)
- 18 Decorative material sewn on another (8)
- 20 Game played in chukkas (4)
- 22 Fully mature (5)
- 23 Writer as Pepys, Evelyn (7) 24 Meal of fixed menu, price
- SOLUTION TO NO 791

DOWN 2 Sudden fancy (4)

- 3 Job security (6) 4 Be master (4,4)
- 5 Evil spirit (5)
- Vital practical details (4,3,5) One not fighting in war (3-
- 8 Have petty quarrel (6) 13 Disparage (8)
- 16 Irrational terror (6)
- 17 (Muslim, Hindu) female seclusion (6)
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Flotation of Dairy Crest is expected to get the go-ahead this week. The UK's thirdlargest milk processor is expected to make an announcement with year-end figures on Wednesday. A stock market valuation of about £250 million is likely.

Southam bid

Hollinger, ultimate owner of The Daily Telegraph, said yesterday that it intends to make an offer for those shares of Southam, Canada's largest newspaper publisher, that it does not already own. Hollinger paid about C\$300 million (£142 million) on Friday to lift its stake in Southam from 20 to 41 per cent.

Giles Hilton guards Whittard's reputation for quality as product director and tea taster

Tea time in the City

BY OLIVER AUGUST

WHITTARD, Britain's leading tea retailer, will announce its flotation on the Alternative Investment Market tomorrow. Market capitalisation is expected to be £20 million. The chain is hoping to extend its network from 79 shops in Britain to 150, over the next five

years, with the expansion mainly overseas. The flotation, expected by the end of June. will give the company the necessary working capital and help to keep it free of debt. David Gyle-Thompson, Whittard's chairman, said: "We want to focus internationally. The flotation will allow us to take advantage of our present good position and it will be a very good platform for further growth." Whittard has

been importing and selling teas since 1886 and has built up a solid reputation for quality.

Giles Hilton, the product director, is said to be able to smell the time of day the tea leaves were picked, and whether it was raining or not.

The company sells 42 brands of tea, as well as assorted coffees, and is firmly committed to the retail side of the tea market, which was worth £630 million last year. Will Hobhouse, the managing director, said the company did

not want to turn its stores into cafés. Whittard's turnover last year was £15.6 million, an increase of 158 per cent on the previous year. Pre-tax profits were £1.3 million.

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Hot from Cannes: Fargo, the thriller which won Joel Coen the Best Director prize, comes to Britain **OPENS: Friday** REVIEW: Thursday



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ARTS TUESDAY TO **FRIDAY** IN SECTION 2

Marcus Binney on a £200m plan to bring Battersea Power Station to new and entertaining life

The white elephant trumpets

ver the years no great London - or indeed Brit- landmark has looked so irretrievably doorned as Battersea Power Station. Now, though, a consortium powerful enough to set to rest the doubts of the most sceptical is close to signing a deal that will breathe up to £200 million into the empty colossus.

The three new partners of the power station's owners, Parkview, are Andrew Lloyd Webber's Really Useful Group, BAA (formerly the British Airports Authority) and a Californian retail group. McArthur/Glen.

Parkview is a major Hong Kong property developer with a large stake in the colony's booming ferry trade, while BAA's interest springs from its expansion into retail, sparked by the burgeoning shopping facilities at airports. Retail now forms BAA's largest source of

McArthur/Glen specialises in what it calls "designer outlet villages" where American shoppers now spend more than £9 billion a year. In Europe, its major centre at Ellesmere Port, in Cheshire, has been followed by another precinct in the cathedral town of Troyes, east of Paris. Last month it announced plans for a £35 million designer village for Swindon, to be housed in the Grade II* listed Great Western Railway works. Lloyd Webber's participation fol-

lows on from his proposal, now lapsed, for a 2,000-seater auditorium and art gallery next to the Festival Hall on the South Bank. Intriguingly, an auditorium of this size has been spotted on some of the schemes put before planners for the power station in recent months.

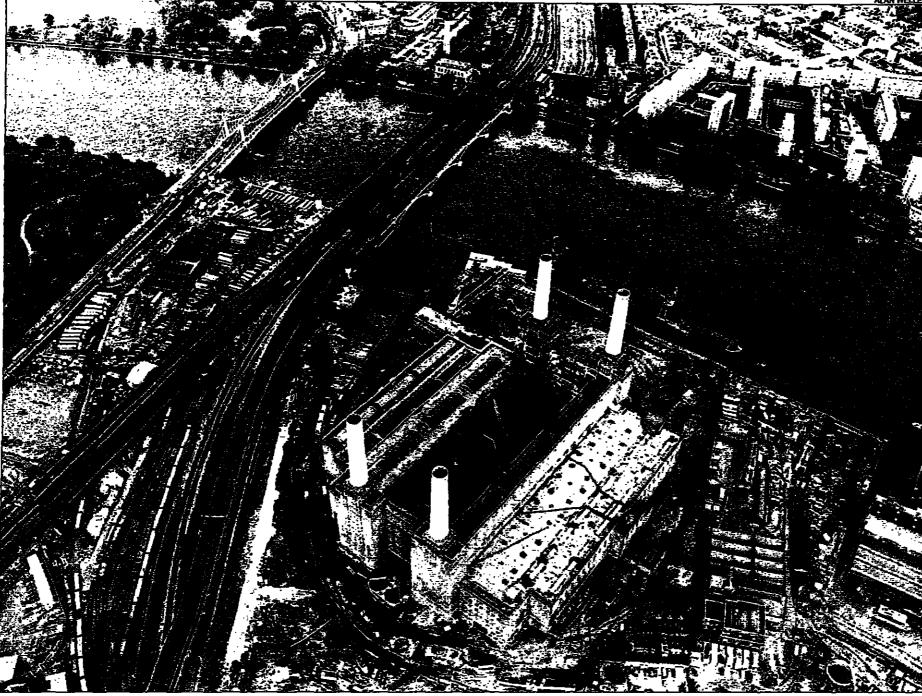
The driving force is Victor Hwang of Parkview, while the architects Arup Associates have been brought in as master planners. Parkview's initial plans included a huge tower to be built beside the power station, and intended to become the Canary Wharf of south London. But talk of a building 50 storeys high provoked an icy reception at English Heritage, and the plans for the tower have been dropped, at least for the time being

Market

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The land consists not only of the 13-acre power station site, but a further 18 acres to the south already cleared and ready for development. Despite the tendency of the Environment Secretary, John Gummer, to hold an inquiry into every proposed development along the Thames, Parkview has scope to continue work under a permission granted to the previous owner, John Broome, for leisure and entertainment use.

Before Battersea Leisure went into liquidation, with debts of £70 million, Broome planned a Disneystyle indoor theme park. The over-



"Battersea Power Station looks half-demolished, but the huge central block was just a tangle of pipes and boilers that had to be scooped out if the station was to find another use"

arching theme for the power station is now for a media city, with film and television studios. There is talk of 32 cinemas springing up in the shell, a Trocadero several times

Sports uses might include an indoor rollerblading rink in one of the turbine halls. Rollerblading, or inline skating, is the fastest-growing sport in the world and, like iceskating, is a good spectator sport, with opportunities for racing and

virtuoso artistic displays. The power station was built in two phases, with construction interrupted by the Second World War. For more than a decade it sported just two of its present four chimneys. Initially, the design was entrusted to a Manchester architect, James Theo Halliday, but because of controversy over its prominence on the Thames, the great Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, author of Liverpool Anglican Cathedral and the famous red

telephone box, was called in to add the finishing touches. He turned the corner chimneys into columns with classical fluting and, after a last-minute government panic about pollution, raised their height to 337ft by adding distinctive double capitals. Scott's great contribution was to bring to life the cliff of brickwork beneath the chimneys with a series of setbacks akin to

those on the Empire State Building.
The power station looks halfdemolished from the passing train,
but in reality the huge central block was just the boiler house, a tangle of pipes and boilers that had to be scooped out if the station was ever to

The important interiors are the two 475ft-long turbine halls which flank the main block and retain their roofs. The 1930s turbine hall is lined with giant Art Deco pillars, like two versions of the Hoover Factory facing each other across a

dual carriageway. The control room could be an Art Deco revelation. All the jazz age fittings survive — ribbon Napoleon marble, black skirtings and wavepattern illuminated ceilings. Recently, the power station has been in steady demand by film-makers, and

the TV drama serial The Bill is often filmed there. It is inspected regularly by engineers from English Heritage, who report it to be in stable condition.

Parkview has also negotiated the lease of the railway track closest to the power station, so it can build a new station and run continuous shuttle trains to both Clapham Junction and Victoria. Come 1999, London's biggest millennium project could just be the one that does not involve any lottery money

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Piety doesn't pogo

THE venues that the Cocteau Twins chose for their two shows in the capital could not have been more different; first, the Royal Albert Hall, followed, just three weeks later, by the less formal show at the Ministry of Sound in southeast London. Although the Cocteaus probably lelt more at home in a packed dance club than in the grand space of the Albert Hall, the setting did not seem to make much difference to most of their audience, who stood and watched in hushed

The sound revolved around the core trio of singer Liz Fraser, guitarist Robin Guthrie and bassist Simon Raymonde, and was supplemented by a floating pool of other musicians, but the object

The Cocteau Twins Ministry of Sound

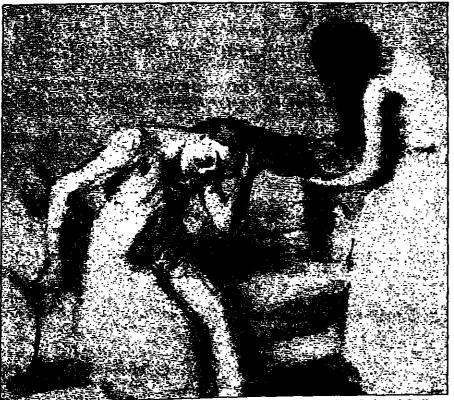
of the audience's devotion was undoubtedly Fraser. A small figure in the centre of the stage, she did her best to distance herself from the attention by keeping her eyes closed for most of the set, Once or twice, though, she kept them open for an entire song. She sang in a soaring. swooping voice against the big waves of the Cocteau's music, the sweeping Half-gifts, from their latest album, Milk and Kisses, standing out early on. Although some of the new songs, particularly the single Tishbite, have a real pop sensibility, and Fraser's lyrics are less vague than they were three or four albums ago, she still seems to be striving to express something that is essentially inexpressible.

It is difficult to imagine how the Cocteau's more po-faced fans would react to a sudden injection of humour, but they are unlikely ever to have to, since Fraser limited her interaction to warm smiles, whispered thanks and mimed signals to other members of the band.

However, her very presence, plus the added bonus of various highlights from the band's 14-year back catalogue. such as Wax and Wane, kept the faithful happy and even got some of them moving.

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DEGAS AT THE NATIONAL GALLERY DAY FOUR Richard Cork discusses highlights of the exhibition



"A hint of tiredness, or dejection": Combing the hair, c.1896-1900. National Gallery

As an earlier beach scene in the National Gallery's collection testifies, Degas had long been fascinated by the combing of hair. But by the time he painted this canvas, all the diverting minutiae of modern life had dropped away.

We have entered a bedroom, and the woman seated on the mattress seems oblivious of anything except the stern action of the comb. We cannot see her companion's face, and Degas reduces the latter's figure to an astonishingly bare expanse of pale paint. But the strength she exerts through the comb is unmistakable. Its teeth tug their way through the auburn tresses, causing the other woman to steady herself by clutching

It is an everyday scene, unalleviated by any diverting ornaments or furnishings in the room. No pictures hang on the bare walls, where Degas indulges in a sensuous blend of pink and gold. The colours enhance the woman's flaring orange hair, so bright that it casts a radiant reflection on her upturned forearm.

Such richness suggests that Degas was thinking of Venetian paintings of ladies at their toilet. But, compared with Titian's opulence, Combing the hair seems almost stark. The chalkiness of the woman's nightdress gives the picture a hint of anaemia, suggesting tiredness and even

 Degas: Beyond Impressionism is at the National Gallery until Aug 26 (tickets from First Call, On Wednesday, Richard Cork discusses After the bath (c. 1890-93)

Britten the best buy

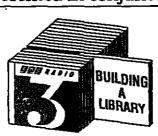
Our guide to the best available classical recordings on compact disc, presented in conjunction with Radio 3

ritten's first large-scale Sopera, Peter Grimes, had its first performance at Sadler's Wells, London, when the theatre reopened after the war on June 7, 1945. It was an historic night for British music because the opera was at once recognised

as a masterpiece, not only by the public and critics in Britain, but throughout the world. It was no flash-in-the-pan. Fifty-one years later it is firmly established in the international repertoire. It was rare in the days 2). More than Pears or any

before the advent of LPs for a complete opera to be recorded. but substantial extracts from Peter Grimes were recorded by HMV in 1948 with the cast of the first Covent Garden production. This included Peter Pears and Joan Cross, creators of the roles of Grimes and the village schoolmistress who befriends him, Ellen Orford. Both are heard to advantage in these extracts now available on CD (EM CMS 7 64727-2), but perhaps their most valuable feature is that they enable us to experience the impassioned first conductor of the work, Reginaid Goodali, unsurpassed even by the composer himself for poetic insights into the

There are four complete recordings, all except one with the Royal Opera House Chorus and Orchestra. Britten conducts the 1958 Decca set, produced by John Culshaw. with a more mature Pears as an authoritative Grimes and the American soprano Claire Watson a perhaps surprising but effective choice as Ellen.



Owen Brannigan's pompous Swallow is outstanding. The recording quality still sounds first-class and has a theatrical atmosphere. Jon Vickers's more abrasive Grimes is preserved in Sir Colin Davis's 1978 recording (Philips 432578-



the composer's authority

other of his rivals, he suggests the latent violence in the character, but he takes liberties with the text and tempos are often slow. But Heather Harper's Ellen is the best on Bernard Haitink conducts

EMI's 1992 recording in which Anthony Rolfe Johnson sings the title-role with extraordinary beauty of tone and rare musicianship, but the rough-ness of Grimes eludes him. Felicity Lott is a serene and touching Ellen and the excellent baritone Simon Keenlyside is good as Ned Keene. Under Haitink the Sea Interludes and the choral singing are especially fine, with vivid recording quality.

The latest version was issued in March this year (Chandos CHAN 9447) with Philip Langridge superb as Grimes, Janice Watson a radiant-voiced Ellen and a marvellous portrayal of the Methodist bigot Bob Boles by John Graham Hall. The conductor is Richard Hickox, with the City of London Sinfonia. In spite of an over-resonant acoustic, this is a very recommendable issue, but Britten's remains the best (Decca 414 577-2, 3CDs, £35.95) — all the others are on two - because it combines the unique authority of the composer's interpretation with Pears's total understanding of the "outsider" aspects of the title-role.

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Science closing in on cancer

t had been a long, hot couple of days in the laboratory but Dr Steve Jackson, a molecular biologist at the University of California at Berkeley, was convinced his labours were unearthing something bizarre. He had been conducting some simple experiments on enzymes, proteins which trigger and control certain biochemical changes in the body.

One particular enzyme, he noticed during the summer of 1990, sprang into action only when damaged DNA was around. He had heard rumours of DNA-triggered enzymes but there was nothing solid in the literature. Knowing that damaged DNA was a prime suspect in certain forms of cancer, Dr Jackson was determined to publish fast. Egged on by his supervisor, he persuaded his wife to cancel a holiday and published his research in the journal Cell three months later, christening his discovery DNA-PK_

It was an excellent career move. The Cancer Research Campaign invited him to become one of its research fellows at Cambridge University and he quickly rose to his present position as the university's youngest science profes-sor, at the age of 33. As the Quick Professor of Biology at the Wellcome Trust/CRC Institute of Cancer and Developmental Biology, his aim is to uncover what role DNA-PK and other enzymes play in preventing cancer.

A breakthrough came late last year when Professor Jackson found that DNA-PK (the PK stands for protein kinase) was closely related to a protein known as ATM. If the ATM protein — and thus both copies of the gene which produces it

is defective, a

neurodegenerative disorder known as Ataxia Telangiectasia can result.

Symptoms of the full-blown disorder include nerve deterioration, a weak immune system and premature ageing. But, crucially, AT sufferers are also 100 times more likely to get cancer.

So a faulty ATM protein means a higher risk of getting cancer or, conversely, the correct version of the protein protects against cancer. Finding out that DNA-PK was related to it, as Professor another step towards cracking the link with cancer. It appears there is a family

of five proteins involved in DNA recognition and repair. of which DNA-PK is the best understood. DNA-PK recogonly double-strand breaks in DNA - the twinstrand molecular string twisted into the famous double helix which encodes the instructions needed to make a

human being.

DNA-PK is also like a molecular troubleshooter once it spots broken DNA it holds the severed ends together so they can be fixed. The protein also instructs the cells to stop dividing, so faulty DNA does not spread around

the body.
In 1993, together with Dr
Penny Jeggo from Sussex

University and a team from

Harvard Medical School, Pro-

fessor Jackson found that cells

lacking DNA-PK were ultra-

sensitive to ionising radiation.

Here was the first inkling that

DNA-PK might stop cells from

ery was yet to come. It con-

cerned the Scid mouse, a breed

of mouse which first appeared in 1980 in laboratory-bred

mice. "Such mice are com-monly bred with each other,"

says Professor Jackson, "But too much inbreeding, as hap-

pens with any species, means that subsequent generations are more likely to pick up inherited genetic problems."

The Scid mouse was a

hideous consequence of

overbreeding - it had no immune system. Professor

Jackson says: "Nobody knew why. For years, one of the holy grails of molecular biology

was to find out what was

wrong with this mouse. Then

it suddenly dawned on me and

Their hunch was right - a

crucial component of DNA-PK

Penny.

But a more dramatic discov-

becoming cancerous.

Scid (severe combined immuno-deficient) mutation. It led to another paper in Cell, in March last year, and shed new light on what was turning out to be an extremely important chemical of life.

So how did the connection between the DNA-PK and ATM proteins come to light? As with all the best scientific adventures, serendipity and good timing were to play a part. While Professor Jackson and Dr Jeggo were celebrating having cracked the Scid conundrum, a research group at Tel Aviv University, Israel. were furiously trying to clone and sequence the gene responsible for Ataxia Telangiectasia.

Through the usual round

of conferences, a rumour

spread that the protein associ-

ated with this gene had been

identified and found to be

involved in DNA repair," he

says. "It immediately rang

alarm bells because of its

apparent similarity to DNA-

He contacted the research-

ers in Israel, led by Dr Yosef

Shiloh. They had sequenced the gene but had little idea

what the associated protein

did. But we already knew

about DNA-PK, and it turned

out that both belonged to the

just like cells lacking DNA-

PK. Both proteins, it seems,

provide protection against

The gene sequences for both

proteins are pinned up on the

noticeboard in Professor Jack-

son's cramped office. To the

casual observer, they are a jumble of As, Cs, Gs and Ts,

the four bases whose permuta-

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Anjana Ahuja meets

the link between

a bad protein

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untrained eye, reveals that sections of the two sequences are almost mirror images of each other, explaining their similar chemical responses to radiation. Three related proteins have since been identi-

The importance of DNA repair in suppressing cancer is becoming clear. Professor Jackson says: "The most common form of inherited colon cancer is caused by defective DNA repair, which suggests that DNA-PK has a role in suppressing cancer.

We need to find out if DNA-PK works alone or with other proteins. Does it hold certain viruses at bay? If we can find the gene that controls it, we may eventually be able to insert perfect copies if a person doesn't have them."

This, he says, will probably take years of dedicated laboratory work, but the spin-offs could be tremendous. If we can find a way of stifling the DNA-PK in cancer cells, they would become sensitive to radiation and easy to destroy."

He is now discussing with consultants at Addenbrookes Hospital in Cambridge whether to perform a clinical study of the role of DNA-PK and the ATM protein in patients. If this proves fruitful, the research could open up a new avenue in drugs research.

There is another aspect to the work which fascinates him ageing. Old age - and a higher incidence of cancers — set in when protective processes slow down.

"There is a theory which says that ageing is due to an accumulation of errors in cells, and DNA damage may be one aspect of that," he says.

Telomeres, the protective ends of chromosomes which shorten as we grow older, are also intimately linked with Professor Jackson's research. "Scientists found that if the DNA-PK was knocked out of yeast cells, the telomeres got shorter." By a happy coincidence, the yeast gene has just been sequenced. So molecular biology should, he thinks, make great headway over the next 20 years.

"Molecular biology is a young science but the amount of research being published at the moment shows it is moving at an astonishing pace. With any luck, it should liver in the next 20 years."



Contradictory evidence over the drop in sperm count \square Tracing drugs back to their source \square How safe is a vegetarian diet?

IS THE quality of male sperm declining? Please don't ask the scientists: the evidence is contradictory and consensus still a long way off. While some studies show a clear declining trend, blamed on pollution, others reveal no change or even signs of an increase in sperm counts. Oddiy enough, some of the highest counts of all have come from a study in New York, not normally considered to

be a pollution-free zone. The discovery that baby milk formulae contain significant amounts of phthalates, the chemicals used to soften plasticsharpens the issue because these chemicals have been targeted by environmentalists as the prime suspects in sperm decline. But if there is no decline, a major prop in the argument falls away.

The May issue of the journal Fertility and Sterility contains the two most recent studies, both of which fail to show any decline. Dr Harry Fisch, of Columbia Presbyterian Medical Centre in New York, studied 1.283 men who donated sperm to sperm banks in New York, Los Angeles and Roseville, Minnesota, before hav-ing a vasectomy. Over the period between 1970 and 1994, he reported, there had been "a slight but

Fertile area for confusion

change in sperm motility or semen volume, the other two measures of male fertility.

A second study in the same issue reported sperm counts in Seattle. Dr Alvin Paulsen, of the University of Washington, found no decline between 1972 and 1993

What the two studies do show dearly is that sperm counts



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in sperm samples from 510 men. Nigel Hawkes

can vary hugely, for reasons that are not fully understood. The New York men, for example, showed an average of 131.5 million sperm per millilitre of semen, while the Minnesota donors weighed in at 100.8 million, and the Los Angeles

ble, because the men were selected differ-ently — scored 52 ently -million.

The most recent British study, of 577 semen donors who had given sperm at the same centre in Scotland between 1985 and 1994, produced an average of 78 million for the youngest men those born after 1970. But those born before 1959 scored higher, at 98 million,

suggesting that in Scotland at least there has been a decline. But further to compound the confusion, it was published in the same edition of the British Medical Journal (February 24, 1996) as a study from Toulouse which showed no decline between 1977 and 1992. Sperm counts there averaged 83.12 million, and showed considerable variation from year to year, but no longterm trend. This contrasts with an earlier study in Paris, which does

Many things can affect sperm counts and sperm volume, including the age of the donor and the period of sexual abstinence before sperm donation. This means that studies are subject to many uncertainties. "Prior studies suggesting decreases in the semen quality over the last several decades have heen fraught with selection, methodological and geographic biases," says Dr Fisch.

The variations from place to place do not suggest that a chemical as universal as the phthalates is responsible. They imply that more subtle variations in lifestyle - such as the time spent driving, which has been linked to low fertility because the temperature of the testes is raised

- could be implicated. And when sperm counts in some comparable groups of men vary so widely, it is questionable whether the relatively small declines seen in other studies mean anything at all. With no solid evidence yet of a decline in male fertility, it is too soon to panic.

A fingerprint for heroin



AUSTRALIAN scientists at the lytical laboratories in Sydney have developed a better method of

identifying the source of heroin seized by the police. A team led by Dr Bob Wells has shown that each type of heroin has a chemical "fingerprint" which reflects the trace minerals in the soil which grew the poppies from which it

The ratios of more than 30 trace elements, including magnesium, nickel, copper, and yttrium. can be measured using analytical instruments, and compared with known types of heroin. More than 110 samples studied so far show that the commonest heroin in general circulation in Australia is a variety called Chinese No 4.

imported from Hong Kong.

Dr Wells says that the virtue of the method, compared with others, is its cheapness and reliability, and be is now seeking samples from other countries to build up a database, so that seizures from all over the world can be compared and traced to their source. In fact, he admits, sourcing

drugs is not as difficult as it once was. Some drug barons from South-East Asia have become so confident that they make no real effort to conceal the origin of their drugs, even stamping brand names such as Double U-Globe and 999 on the raw heroin blocks. The quality is high, he says: one sample of Double U-Globe tested turned out to be 95 per cent pure, though by the time it reached the addict on the street it would have been "cut" — diluted — to no more than 20 per cent.

To the meat of the matter



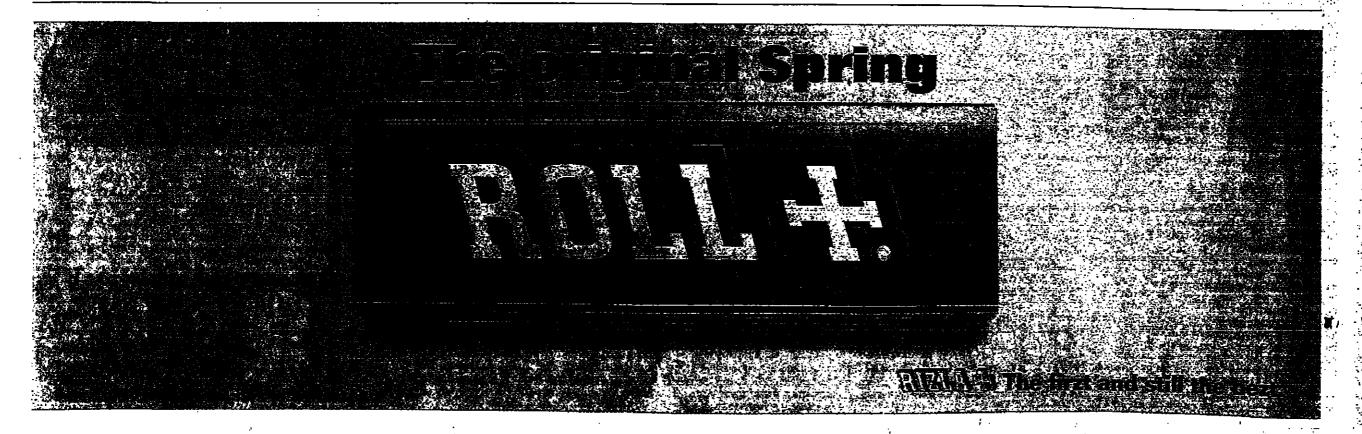
VEGETARIAN-ISM has become very fashionable among teenagers, tually choose to eat has never real-

ly been explored. A team from John Moores University in Liverpool has examined the diets of 50 vegetarian children between the ages of seven and 11, and com-pared them with 50 children who eat meat. The most significant difference that Indira Nathan, Allan Hackett and Simon Kirby found was in the haemoglobin levels of the vegetarian children.

Haemoglobin, the iron-containing component in red blood cells, was significantly lower in the vegetarians than in the omnivores, even though they ate the same amount of iron. The reason, the team reports in the British Journal of Nutrition, was the form in which the iron was

Surprisingly, the vegetarian children ate no more vitamin C than the omnivores, and about the same amount of fat. Their cholesterol levels were similar. Although the vegetarians got no fat from meat, they made up for it with dairy products and convenience vegetarian products, some of which are high in fat.

The team concludes that to be healthy a vegetarian diet needs to be varied and well planned, and that special attention needs to be given to iron intake, to avoid the risk of anaemia. "Substitution of commonly available convenience vegetarian products for meat is not adequate," they say — a pointed conclusion for a study that was supported in part by the Vegetarian Society.







Taking off the pressure: in the fast-track society of America, Arianna Huffington has decided to put the brakes on her daughter's hectic round

Hothouse meltdown They have always been with us: tiny children Are we destroying our children's lives by

staggering home from school under the weight of their satchels. sitting at the piano for hours perfecting their version of Für Lise and strapped in the back of the Volvo being ferried from ballet, to fencing to extra French and to maths coaching.

class children have never been greater. At school, the curriculum changes constantly, tests proliferate and the introduction of the starred A grade for GCSE has given pupils a new high standard to aim for.

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Parents whose aspirations have been dashed by the recession are focusing all their hopes on their offspring, and training them like paratroopers to survive in our competi-

But if many adults cannot cope with the pressures of this cut-throat world, then nor can their children. And the symptoms of hothousing are begin-ning to show. A survey published recently by the charity Childline, called Stressed Out, pointed out that children as young as seven are under so much pressure from schoolwork and exams that some of them consider suicide. The survey showed that a mounting emphasis on academic success had made schoolwork the main worry in their lives.

In January, 18-year-old Mechard Metcalf was found dead in the library of Winchester College, having taken an overdose of painkillers. His mother, Carolyn, is convinced that her son's death was the result of the pressure. An open verdict was record-

ed at the inquest of the scholarship boy, who had a place to read classics at Ox-ford. No one knows if his death was suicide or accidental; what is certain is that Richard, who had chosen to take six A levels, as well as involving himself in a host of extracurricular activities. found himself living under an unendurable strain. "He would work until 3am. then take a bath still reading his Latin books," says his mother. Then he would fall asleep and his books would slide into the

Earlier this year, several parents withdrew their children from Newton Prep. a selfproclaimed school for gifted children in London, after allegations of bullying and intimidation. Richard Dell, the headmaster of the £6,000-ayear establishment, attended by the children of celebrities such as Paula Yates and the model Yasmin Le Bon, admitted that there had been bullying, but denied it was endemic.

Parents disagreed. "My eight-year-old daughter was bullied to the point where she had to give up her scholargip," says the mother of one former pupil, who declined to be named. She was a bubbly. happy little thing but now she

has lost all her self-esteem." Christiana Hayward, who also withdrew her eight-yearold daughter Ariana. says:

driving them too hard? Julia Llewellyn Smith investigates a disturbing phenomenon

who were gifted and not in with the image of being beautiful, happy, intelligent children, so they got upset. Ariana was praised too much in front of the other children and the jealousy got out of

Pressures here have not yet reached the same levels as in America, where young Manhattanites are working the same hours as Wall Street bankers in order to enter an Ivy League college. More than a quarter of New York state

schools now offer places for

"Teachers tended to give a daughter took the point and nothing wrong with urging a lot of attention to the children seeing a homeless person in a child to achieve. "A child will doorway, said nervously: "You not reach the top without like him?"

"I think middle-class parents put an enormous amount of pressure on their children." she says. "They are endlessly comparing themselves to other parents, endlessly obsessed with achieving. They are always ferrying children from one activity to another and researching new maths techniques which will ensure their child comes top of the class.

"If you have a child at a private school you see them come home at five with a



Under pressure? Gifted children at Newton Prep

the "gifted and talented". It took the death in a plane crash, last month, of the sevenyear-old pilot Jessica Dubroff, whose mother let her take off in a hailstorm in the hopes of her breaking a world record, to force American parents to search their souls in the realisation that children are being put under intolerable pressures to succeed.

urs is a culture that worships life in the fast lane and treats childhood as a holding pattern before real life can begin." wrote the columnist Arianna Huffington, adding that she had decided to put the brakes on her seven-year-old daughter's heetic round of school and after-school activities. No one wants to deny a child

the best possible start in life. The question is whether hothousing at such a young age produces vibrant specimens or withered blooms. Marina Cantacuzino, a writ-

er, began to question the matter when she found herself harping at her six-year-old daughter about how hard she would have to work at school, in order to find a job. Her

satchel full of homework. If your child is at a state school then you must offer them huge amounts of coaching and support at home.

"I don't remember my parents putting me under pressure - they just gave me mild encouragement. But times have changed. The recession has made me feel very vulnerable and I feel vulnerable for

my children.
"I am the breadwinner in my family and my work is very precarious, so I am aware that my daughter needs to do well at school and pass her exams if she is to survive out there. At the same time, I worry that I am putting too much pressure on her. six-year-old does

French and does music on a Saturday morning and she would really like to dance, but we both agree that that would be too much. At the end of the day she enjoys it and she gets a sense of achievement from it, but there is a very fine line between that and putting a

child under stress." According to Dr Joan Freeman, the author of Gifted Children Growing Up (Cassell) and a former governor of Newton Prep, there is

says. There are times when you must push a child to sit down and practise the piano. If you have expectations of children and provide for them, then they will rise to this." Peter Kendall, a child con-

sultant, agrees. "Children

should be given as much

encouragement as possible." he says. Dr Kendall has worked with many gifted children, such as Ahmed

Luqman, who at the age of

seven was tackling A-level

like Ahmed's mother.

Faheeda, who took her child

out of school and tutored him at home. "I suppose you could

call her a pushy parent, but her child was living in a tower

block and the local compre-

hensive could not meet his

cess. Child psychologists say that childhood neuroses, in-

cluding attention deficit, hyperactivity disorder and stress-related stomach-aches

and headaches, can often be

attributed to parents pushing

"Anyone who has kids

knows that you want them to

have all the things that you

didn't, and this means there can be an enormous amount resting on children's shoul-

ders," says Dr Kendall. It

make the grade."

parents don't care."

"Problems only come from

other people's expectations."

Kendali.

their children too hard.

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parents want to live

vicariously through

their children's suc-

He says he admires parents

maths problems.

History has many examples of the perils of pushiness. Karl Wittgenstein, one of the richest industrialists of the late 19th century, was the father of eight enormously gifted children, whom he kept away from school. Three of his five sons committed suicide, so Karl gave up and allowed the unpromising youngest son to school for a normal education. This was Ludwig Wittgenstein, one of the greatest philosophers of the century.

Why choosing a partner can be a career move

Equal billing for cosmic couples

Tony Blair and Cherie Booth

Lenny Henry and Dawn French

ot so long ago the hot accessory for every successful man was a brain-less cutic who would massage his ego and impress his friends. But in the 1980s, successful men began to discover the delights of the power spouse, a wife whose career was as brilliant, if not more dazzling.

than his. Harry Evans and Tina Brown, Conrad Black and Barbara Amiel. Nicole Farhi and David Hare, Maurice Saatchi and Josephine Hart, Ken and Barbara Follett. Not to forget the ultimate cos-mic duo. Bill and Hillary Clinton. Suddenly power couples were as ubiquitous Filofaxes: dynamic

duos whose conversa-tion at the breakfast table (if they partook of such a mundane meall was not of who would ballet, but of whose turn it was to appear on Question Time. The differences be-

tween a 1980s power marriage and one in the 1990s is subtle but marked. In the Eighties decade of conspicuous consumption most of these synergistic unions were second marriages. Once a per-son had arrived, his or her patient, all-supportive first-time spouse could be dis-

carded like a used In the Nineties, these choices are not about making a glittering enparty (aithough it never hurts), more about presenting the world with a picture of wholesome domesticity. Take the ultimate duo in 1990s Britain: Tony Blair and Cherie Booth, Theirs was an almost Faustian pact: she would make it to the top as a high-earning barrister.

he would concentrate on a less lucrative but more glittering political career. Childcare duties (which could not be left to the nanny) were to be divided equally, emphasising Blair's right-on, new man credentials.

Would Justine Frischmann have made a convincing lead singer of Elastica, if she had not acquired suitable credibility from hang-

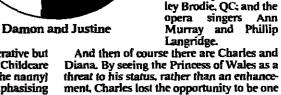
In television, the cosmic award must be held by Dawn French and Lenny Henry. After the adoption of their daughter. Billie. French and Henry received the ultimate testament, a heartwarming spread in Hello!

backscratching must be carefully managed. There was an outcry when James Wood. then the literary editor of The Guardian, recommended that a novel by Claire Messud be shortlisted for the Booker Prize. Messud. it transpired, was his wife. It is no easy task, however, to balance the demands of stardom.

Success as a cosmic couple requires a gen-erosity of spirit. Stella Tillyard, author of Aristocrats, the bestselling account of

five sisters in the 18th century, is married to John Brewer of the European University Institute in Florence. He is frequently left babysitting their two children while his wife pursues her own Other emergent pow-

er couples include Linda Colley, Professor of History at Yale University and the author of Britons: Forging the Nation and David Cannadine, Professor of History at Columbia University (both British); Naomi Heaton, the managing director of London Central Portfolio Service and Mark Heaton, the deputy chairman of Leo Burnett Advertising: the lawyers Elizabeth Gloster, QC, and Stan-ley Brodie, QC, and the opera singers Ann Murray and Phillip



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CTTIES Rades from pays to know what the agenda DIFL 325" DEM 105† USD 218 USD 120 DEM 210° AMSTERDAM s — yours, or your child's." Dr Freeman says: "Over ATHENS and over again I have seen BELGRADE parents put pressure on child-BERLIN ren, so they think that they BRATISLAVA BEF 6850 USD 329 DEM 280° FF 1650 won't be loved unless they BRUSSELS BUCHAREST BUDAPEST Another child psychologist says: "You wouldn't believe CRACON how many screwed-up child-USD 1761 UKL 105 DEM 355 SFR 300 DEM 375 DEM 225* DEM 275* FOM 950 USD 185 ren I see, whose parents are DUBLIN frantic because they are going to fail Common Entrance and won't get into Winchester or GENEVA THE HAGUE Westminster. Mostly, these are sensitive children who HAMBURG would be unhappy at such competitive schools, but the ISTANBUL DEM 335 ESC 33,000 UKL 105* DEM 166 LUF 6,100 FF 560† ESC 36,000 LISBON Intelligence, say the experts, is only one factor in a blueprint for a successful life. LUXEMBOURG Getting on requires three things: brain matter, reading MADEIRA and writing ability and per-sonality and drive. Determ-26,800 330 310 4 235* MADRID MONTREUX ination and self-confidence are MUNICH vital, but they won't show up NICOSU CAL EL in an IQ test," says Dr PARIS PRAGUE But a child with high intelli-gence is not doomed to trau-ma. Ability itself is not a LIT 480,000 ST ANDREWS UKZ. 230† STUTTGART DEM 130 problem. Most gifted children ATS 2,600 VIENNA probably grow into gifted adults. says Dr Freeman.

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Once the Scots have their own parliament, English nationalists will turn nasty — and against Tony Blair

ere is a prophecy: but the struggle will be within four years John Redwood will be an English nationalist and The Sun will be listing 20 things you can tell a Scotsman to stuff up his kilt. It is a prospect to chili the blood. Imagine: Tony Marlow, MP, the blond brute from Northampton. belting out bulldog chants in the Commons chamber; the blazer lapels of a score of pink-faced Tories sprouting the English rose, drum majorette Teresa Gorman (Billericay, Eng Nat)
wrapped in the flag of St
George... By the end of the
century little England could

be big politics. Three things

U-turn remains possible.

election. Or they

could win but

lose the Scotland

Bill in the Com-

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venture of an

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ament with home

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land - may nev-

er come. But this

is a core pledge from a party 25

points ahead and

likelihood.

could save us. None is a

First. Tony Blair could drop his plans for a Scottish must prevail.

With reciprocity gone from the Union, that justifiparliament with teeth. Skidding blindfold towards a cation is taken away. Every English hospital constitutional bust-up of historic proportions cannot

closure, every hike in Engfeel good. The nightmare of lish council tax, every school a general election haunted closure, the demise of any English factory, dockyard by questions he cannot anor military base, every by-pass denied, road improveswer followed by three years in which the issue derails all his hopes must ment postponed or rail service withdrawn will be wake him screaming. A late relentlessly blamed on Scot-Or Labour could lose the

> Every hospital closure, or rail service withdrawn will be blamed on

Scotland

You will forgive me if I contemplate the possibility that it might be honoured. Few south of the border seem to. I fear this is because the wise have concluded that it is so stupid it cannot happen. Mr Blair would be plum crazy to think England would stand for it. Not in a million years would we put up with Scottish MPs governing England after losing our stake in the government of Scot-land. It's simply not on. So surely Blair has some-

thing up his sleeve?
Well, what? He cannot promise an English parliament, because Labour would be in a permanent minority there. Nor can he be serious about creating a basketful of English regional parliaments: no powers could be given to such toys, and the idea would be laughed to scorn.

The simplest solution to stop Scottish MPs at Westminster voting on English matters - would hand the administration of England back to the Tories. And cancelling the "tartan tax" won't help. The tartan tax is not a problem for England; we should insist the Scots do have a tartan tax if they want their own parliament

— not least to pay for it. So all of Blair's exits are blocked. He will just have to bulldoze a Scottish parliament past the protests of England. He probably can,

I am uncertain whether the war within Westminster will at that point have inflamed English public opinion outside it. It may seem a dispute about constitutional principle rather than daily life. But what will follow? The steady, inevita-ble succession of real-life policy decisions which are unpopular in England but pushed through on the deciding votes of some 50 Scots MPs will fan and spread the flames. Until now it has been Scotland which has raged at being overruled. But the justification has always been that in a Union whose partners have recip-rocal rights, the majority

land's controlling interest in the administra-

tion of England. English MPs will begin a tedious litany of questions to ministers on NHS expenditure per head, grants to local government per head, region-al subsidy per head, education-

al spending per head . . . in Engonly months from a general land compared with Scot-This is how Scottish poli-tics has demeaned itself

over the past 15 years: blame it on the Sassenachs. When England loses its say in the administration of Scotland, how much sharper an edge will "blame it on the Celts" command? And here John Redwood enters the fray. "There would be a backlash from England," he told the Scottish Sunday Times journalist Iain Martin (reported yesterday). People would say you can't go on having all these MPs at Westminster and all this

extra money."

nationalism will demand a parliament for England or (what amounts to the same) the debarring of Scottish MPs from voting on English matters, or simply the slashing of Scotland's Westminster representation, I do not yet know. But I do know the Tory types who will be first onto the bandwagon. My worry is that liberalminded politicans may be fastidious, allowing the Tory Right to capture the strongest new dynamic in our politics for decades, as the Left has captured it in

Whether nascent English

Scotland. This will be the new regionalism. If it comes, I trust those who now herald that dawn will not turn sadly aside, murmuring like British Rail spokesmen after snow that it was "the wrong kind of regionalism".

Libeskind's proposed extension to the V&A is an insult to everything the museum stands for

The great, the good, the good choose the bad and the ugly? I've known Lord Armstrong of Ilminster since he was Reginald Maudling's private secretary in 1953, the bad and the ugly when I was a junior journalist on the Financial Times. Reginald Maudling was then one of Rab Butler's junior ministers at the Treasury. Robert Armstrong rose to be Secretary of the Cabinet and Head of the Home Civil

an architecture "designed to discomfort, physically, perceptually and intellectually". Lord Armstrong is the present chairman of the board of trustees of the V&A. The trustees want to erect this deconstructionist building on the Boilerhouse Yard site adjoining the museum. In his letter to The Times on the same day, he defended the proposed building, calling it an "exciting design concept". That is an interesting choice of words. He does not say that it is a good design, or a practical one, and he certainly does not argue that it is a beautiful one. He writes that it is an "exciting" one. Undoubtedly excitement is one of the themes of our modern culture - Hollywood aims to make exciting films - but it implies an assault on the senses, an aesthetic of aggression. The Silence of the Lambs is an exciting film, but a sinister one.

Lord Armstrong does not even say

that it is an "exciting design", but that it is an "exciting design concept". We are invited to admire not a building. but the architect's concept of a building, something much more remote and abstract. The visitor to London in a generation's time will not be having an agreeable intellectual con-versation with Daniel Libeskind. He will look out of the windows of his bus or taxi and see a disturbingly ugly building that has resulted from an intentionally destructive philosophy of architecture.

Even if this were a matter of aesthetic dispute, with one group of critics saying that the design is beautiful and another saying that it is hideous. I would not particularly trust Robert Armstrong's judgment. Most of us have a dominant aesthetic interest; we have perceived beauty through the eye, the ear, or through language. Robert Armstrong, as was shown by his long service to the Royal Opera House, is primarily musical rather than visual. But in any case this is not an aesthetic question but a conceptual one. We are not discussing whether this is an ugly building, but whether this

particular form of ugliness is so suited to our civilisation that it ought to be built in the London of the end of the 20th century.

One must not review books which have not yet been published; but I have been reading a review copy of an important book coming out next month, which I strongly recommend, Paul Oppenheimer's Evil and the Demonic. In a note at the end he quotes an article on deconstructionism by Marc Furnaroli, published in The Times Literary Supplement of February 14, 1992. This article was entitled. "A walk in

Whole areas of the symbolic legacy of French culture . . . disappeared because of their complicity with the Vichy regime. By contrast the tired remnants of Surrealism, allying themselves to the Communist Party together with the coterie around Jean-Paul Sartre, coloured by nihilistic anarchism and Marxism, suddenly acquired disproportionate significance. They became rivals and accomplices in a literary Reign of Terror. An abstract symbolic system, atrophied and artificial, was the progeny of this literature of arrogant camp-followers". his French experience is one of the historic roots of decon-

Furnaroli argued that post-modernist

and deconstructionist theory, which

are in origin French intellectual

developments, owe their influence to

the French defeat in 1940, to "the

German occupation and the épura-

tion following the Liberation of 1945.

structionism; another is the intellectual reaction to the Holocaust, seen as the ultimate repudiation of humanism. If man could produce the Holocaust, man had to be taken out of the centre of art — the five centuries of humanism were over. The rejection of old symbols extended far beyond France or even Europe. A third source of deconstructionist theory was Chairman Mao's Cultural Revolution, which was a deliberate iconoclastic destruction of the old culture of China. In the 1960s, the desert; the ghosts in the ruins of

deconstructionist intellectuals in the West wore Mao jackets and scrawled Maoist slogans on the walls of their old universities. ld universities. The worldwide revolution against

the old humanist culture of truth and beauty has therefore been historically important, it is perhaps odd that n should only now have reached the Trustees of the V&A, but it is even odder that it should reach them at all.
What is the V&A about? It is an institution for the promotion of scholarship, the study of the history of design, and more broadly the search for beauty in human art. What has Lord Armstrong's career been about? He has devoted his life to an essentially humanist search for truth and order in the tangle of government affairs. What is deconstructionism about? It is the tearing down of the old culture of scholarship, truth, beauty, reason and order, because that culture of the Enlightenment is seen as having failed. Sartre, Mao and Libeskind stand for the belief that a great new épuration through barbarism is the only way to the brave new world. We must all run mad if we are ever to be sane again. The V&A exists to preserve the

culture which deconstructionism exists to destroy. Lord Armstrong has devoted an altogether admirable life to defending the culture which decorstructionism is determined to uproor. How on earth, how in heaven, did he come to ally himself with Sartre, Mao and Libeskind, with the men who have come to strip the altars of the humanist age? How can the trustees of the V&A fail to see that the Libeskind "design concept" is hostile to everything they believe in? Every building makes a statement. The statement of the Libeskind building is that the culture of the V&A and Lord Armstrong is dead lumber which needs to be cleared away. We are all being invited to take a walk in the desert with the Devil for the good of

Driven to self-destruction

Peter Riddell

Service in the 1980s.

He was one of the two or three best

civil servants of the past half century, an excellent example of the virtues of

the British tradition. He was devoted

to the principles of democracy and

rational government. He believed that a civil servant's job was to serve

the policies of the democratically

elected government, and he never

confused the role of the civil servant

with that of the minister. At the same time, he believed that good

government needed a continuous process of professional and intellec-

tually rigorous support. No one ever doubted his integrity, his skill, his humanity or his devotion to the

public interest. Nor could anyone

doubt the intuitive quality he brought

to the formation of policy — if civil servants can be divided into poets

and practitioners, he ranks among the poets. He once got roughed up in an Australian court, but that was a

Robert Armstrong is therefore a friend I greatly admire. I do not ad-

mire Daniel Libeskind's design for

the new building at the Victoria and

Albert Museum, which would be a

disaster for the V&A in particular and

for civilisation in general. The pro-posed building is intended to be an

ante-building, working out a "decon-structionist" theory of art in its architectural form. It is not therefore

ugly by accident; it is ugly because

that is what the architect wants it to

be. As Richard Weston argued in a

secondary misfortune.

says thwarting

the EU won't

win John Major any friends

ohn Major and Tony Blair both made serious errors last week.
Whereas Mr Blair's was largely tactical, and should be reversible, Mr Major's was strategic, and could be fatal. He ignored the key military maxim of having defined and achievable objectives. Instead, he has embarked on a campaign of uncertain duration in which he can control neither his adversaries nor his own most fervent supporters. His adoption of a policy of non-cooperation with the European Union will not increase the chances of a solution to the beef crisis, will not bring lasting party unity and is not an election winner. The affair is typical of "the mix of deliant ignorance and self-assertive insularity" which, as Sir Roy Denman tellingly argues in his Missed Chances, has marked British-European relations

ever since 1918. The Government has mishandled the BSE issue throughout. It has failed to eliminate BSE from the food chain; and when ministers admitted a possible link with a fatal human disease, they did not take decisive action to reassure consumers. They have also miscalculated the impact on the rest of Europe, especially Germany, where demand for beef products has fallen much farther

Britain has a strong case that the ban on all exports of beef products is not justified on scientific grounds, as Commission in Brussels accepts. But the Government has misplayed its hand. It has appeared insensitive to worries elsewhere about the eradi-cation of BSE. The failure to lift even the ban on beef derivatives last Monday was obviously very frustrat-



ing, since Mr Major believed he had assurances of support. But even on its own terms, the vote was only a temporary setback. The margin in favour of easing the ban was not enough under the weighted rules of qualified majority voting, but it should be sufficient on June 3 and 4. when the issue is considered by agriculture ministers and only a nple majority is required. Trying to put in place a procedure for a step-bystep relaxation of the wider ban has to involve recognition of the fear in the rest of the EU. And if no progress is made then, the solution is to go to the European Court.

Mr Major's policy of non-cooperation is both petulant and selfdefeating. It combines maximum annoyance with minimum effect. As Jacques Santer said yesterday, it will

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not improve the chances of agreeing a longer-term relaxation. The main result will be to delay decisions about the single market, which Britain supports, and it will have little impact on decisions on the future of the EU and a single currency, which do not have to be taken for some time.

The ineffectiveness of the gesture is also its weakness domestically. Mr Major bought time and some cheap cheers and favourable headlines, but the price may be high. As George Walden hinted yesterday, there are limits to the patience of the pro-Europeans. The Tory sceptics have already sought to pin down Mr Major. They will cry betrayal if noncooperation is abandoned quickly.

Lifting the ban on beef derivatives will hardly be enough. Mr Major talked on Tuesday of waiting until we have "a clear framework in place leading to lifting of the wider ban". But the sceptics argue that the ban has to be lifted completely. John Red-wood is linking beef to his gen-eral argument for renegotiating British EU membership. He strongly denies that his proposals for a unilateral fisheries limit and for British laws to be made supreme over rulings of the European Court would mean withdrawal from the EU, but

membership. Consequently, the electoral implications are not as clear-cut as some Tory MPs hope. There may be short-term benefits. Despite yesterday's poll showing that most people blame

they are incompatible with continued

the Government for the BSE crisis. I expect to see a rise in Tory support and a fall in Labour's rating, in part also because of recent stories about disarray in the Shadow Cabinet. But that may not last long. Voters like firm leadership, but it has to be vindi-cated by results. And while Europe is increasingly important on the list of issues influencing people's votes, it is well behind the health service, schools and the economy.

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onetheless, Labour is nervous. When the Tory tabioids - The Sun, Daily Mail, Daily Express and Daily Star - stepped up their strident and often jingoistic anti-Brussels campaign, a few weeks ago, Labour started picking up a distinct anti-European mood in its polling and focus groups of voters. The Tories are trying to maximise differences on populist issues such as tax, crime and, now, Europe. Just as Gordon Brown and Jack Straw have dodged these traps, often to the irritation of Labour MPs, so Mr Blair sought to avoid being portrayed as unpatrictic and undermining Britain's case. But he appeared indecisive, damaging his image. His calculation is that this does not matter if Mr Major falls on his face. But Mr Blair may have been too cautious. While supporting the call for a lifting of the beef ban, he should have attacked the Government for making a solution less rather than more likely. He shouldnow be confronting the Government, and the tabloids. Although Paddy Ashdown is less vulnerable politically, he has at least made a forthright

case for Britain in Europe.

The worry for Mr Blair is that while most European leaders are now looking forward to seeing him. replace Mr Major, they do not believe that a Labour government will make much difference. Attitudes might improve, but Britain would still be an uneasy EU member. The BSE affair has not just exposed the bankruptcy of the Major Government's European policy; it has reinforced the belief of Germany and France that an inner core should be allowed by treaty to press ahead regardless of British internal politics.

Book now

CALL IT natural enthusiasm, or Mrs Newt recently and she has call it panic, but there is definitely a arranged for me to meet him," the touch of added rhino horn to Jeffrey Archer's latest round of book promotion. After some tenid reviews of his doorstopper The Fourth Estate. Archer is pushing salesmanship to snapping point. Understandable when a £15 million contract is riding on success.

Take Harrogate last week. Invited to a dinner and signing there, Archer addressed his task like the back end of a hornet. He spotted a window display of his book in a shop and had to be physically restrained by staff when he tried to clamber all over it to grab more copies to sign.
At the Blue Ball last week, an

annual occasion for Tory high-ups and loyalists, Archer took advantage of his role as host to distribute more copies. "He was dishing them out all over," said one witness. "I most definitely wasn't," trilled Archer yesterday. "I only gave copies to old friends of mine in the Cabinet."

This week Archer goes to America. In Washington, he is to meet Newt Gringrich, the Speaker of the House of Representatives. "I met

author explains. Here Archer may be putting loyalty to his publisher above loyalty to his greatest political hero. For it was Gingrich who earlier this year left Baroness Thatcher with an empty space to her right for most of her 70th birthday dinner. No amount of pressure of work" excuses from Gingrich should make the true Thatcherist any more forgiving.



Archer: no one escapes

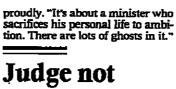


election is being taken seriously by the BBC. A 55ft camera crane was erected in Downing Street yester-day to film preliminary shots for a general election programme. "The camera will be taking shots of the door of No 10 and panning across the river," a BBC mole informs me.

Red alert

ROGER SCRUTON, the fieryhaired right-wing philosopher, is to receive a rare tribute this week. He will become the first Englishman to receive the First of June Prize, which is given to people judged to have played an important role in the overthrow of communism.

"To celebrate the occasion, my opera, The Minister, will be performed in Pilsen," Scruton says



NOT every judge in the land is gunning for Michael Howard. Two M'luds on the North Eastern Circuit have more important matters in hand, namely Count One and the T.I.C. (which stands for "taken into consideration") — a musical combo that has had colleagues



"It can't be German measles: we're boycotting

across the nation throwing off their vigs to rock 'n' roll. His Honour Judge Scott Wol-

stenholme hammers the drums and His Honour Judge David Wood is king of the keyboards, while barristers make up the rest of the outfit.

"I used to play in rock bands in my youth," explains Wolsten-holme. "We can do rock 'n' roll, rhythm and blues, pop, jazz. But most of it is in a Sixties timewarp."

Naval gaze

Rule Britannia and God Save the Queen wafted across Manhattan's East River on Friday night when the officers of the Royal Navy aircraft carrier HMS Illustrious threw a party on deck for some 300 locals. The ship is in New York for Fleet Week, and a band belted out patriotic tunes at sundown.

Illustrious has been in American waters for a recent British-US exercise. The Americans patronised the vessel as a "little ship with a big radar", but the smiles vanished when her helicopters detected and "sank" nine US submarines. The American Defence Secretary, William Perry, congratulated the Brits and asked for a full report on how such a seemingly ill-equipped ship had done so well. Native cunning.



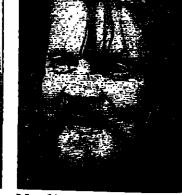


How do you turn a gorilla on? Lord Bath wants to know

• Police were called to the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre in London when metal detectors were stolen from a stand at a convention organised by the European Civil Aviation Conference. Delegates were busy in a security symposium.

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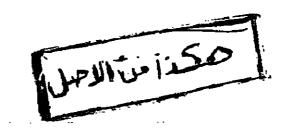
THE comedians Jack Dee and Jeremy Hardy mercilessly lampoon the upper classes in a forthcoming Channel 4 show filmed on location at the Marquess of Bath's Longleat estate. But the marquess, it seems, didn't realise quite what



the sniggering duo were up to. "He gave us a lovely tour of the house, all his private parts," says deadpan Dee. "I don't think he really watches much television or knew who we were. But he said his gorillas were avid viewers." Lord Bath is in despair at his

gorillas' lack of interest in breeding. After years of submitting them to encouraging films of gorillad mating, he has taken a further step. 'He's been showing them porn films to try to get them to breed, but without any success," reveals Dec.

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WHO LOST RUSSIA?

Western soul-searching would follow Communist victory

"The hot button issue in the 1950s was 'who lost China?. If Yeltsin goes down, the question 'who lost Russia?' will be an infinitely more devastating issue in the 1990s." Those were the words of the late Richard Nixon in 1992. The former President was uniquely placed to make such an assertion, having begun his political career through his effective promotion of the China lobby and ended it as the most senior statesman on the Russian question.

A triumph for Gennadi Zyuganov is far from assured. Indeed what polling evidence there is suggests that Boris Yeltsin may yet be re-elected. Even if President Yeltsin does emerge victorious it will only be by distancing himself from the reform movement he once personified and embracing nationalist causes that the Communists have so successfully adopted. No outcome in this contest is really satisfactory.

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If the Communists do prevail, then a certain cycle of reaction can be predicted. . The first, as we outline on page 8 today, will be shock and speculation about the return of the Cold War. After that, soothing voices will suggest that Mr Zyuganov is a pragmatist at heart and that contemporary Communists are different creatures from their predecessors. That false calm is unlikely to last and would be displaced by a prolonged period of uncertainty. The likely outcome would be a partial reversal of political pluralism in Moscow, a halt to market reforms and a much more assertive approach promoting Russian interests in the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe with rank hostility towards Nato expansion.

In almost any event, including a narrow Yeltsin win, Nixon's question seems certain to be asked. In many ways it is an unfair one. Russia was not the West's to lose. Many of the mistakes that have undoubtedly been made over the last five years were made by Moscow reformers themselves.

In retrospect, however, fundamental mistakes were made by the Western democracies which could have been avoided. The first was the assumption that the shift towards markets and democracy east of the former Iron Curtain was irreversible. Given Communism's record of economic failure and human brutality, the idea that it was too morally bankrupt to make a comeback was perhaps too easily accepted. The degree to which adherents to the old party could remodel themselves was underestimated.

If this was forgivable, the two further failures are less so. Western aid has been inadequate and ineffective. In particular, resources were insufficient to provide a social cushion for the enormous upheaval that the rapid creation of a market democracy would produce. What aid has been delivered has reached too narrow a stratum of Russian society. It is no overstatement to suggest that George Soros. through his relentless promotion of the information revolution to a wide section of the populace, has done more to integrate Russia with the outside world and render the totalitarian option implausible than any elected politician.

Added to this was the failure to remodel the European Community in the light of the events of 1989 and 1991. Democracy and markets were fragile creatures that required the solid anchor of incorporation into Europe. Instead, deepening was pursued at the expense of widening and Russia was shut out. The subsequent proposals for Nato enlargement up to Russia's borders gave the Communists an issue which allowed them to pose as patriots.

There is relatively little the West can do to influence the electoral outcome. The best option remains Mr Yeltsin. All the West can do is hope that Mr Nixon's words do not become prophecy and that it has the opportunity not to make the same mistakes again.

BOYCOTTING BURMA

Travellers should beware the Rangoon junta

Aung San Suu Kyi's defiant decision to go ahead with the planned conference of her National League for Democracy (NLD) at the weekend is a brave decision made by a woman who has long counted the cost of such personal courage. More than 200 supporters of her party have just been mandate in the 1990 elections, the military junta controlling Burma has persistently refused to honour its opponents' victory.

For more than 30 years Burma has barricaded its borders against outside influences. It has in its turn been shunned by most of the world. But now, starved of economic support, the former British colony is beginning to feel the pinch. Burma is trying to creep back in from the cold.

Vital to its attempts at rehabilitation is its promotion of tourism. The State Law and Order Restoration Council which brutally seized power in 1988, massacring hundreds of pro-democracy demonstrators, is now putting forth its most inveigling face in an attempt to lure foreign cash into its coffers. The ancient Burmese cities of Pagan. Rangoon and Mandalay churn to the sound of cement-mixers as new hotels spring up in preparation for the October tourist season. when monsoon rains begin to ease.

Burma is a land of wild Conradian beauty, of misted pagodas and moated temples. But, in anger and frustration at the military junta's indifference to democratic opinion, the United States Government is currently contemplating a call for a world

boycott of tourism to Burma. Opening borders to foreign visitors can expose oppressive regimes to a destabilising influence. During its communist era, Alba-

nia kept itself firmly closed to all but the most committed groups of Marxists. North Korea and Saudi Arabia still protect themselves from the influx of tourists. Countries such as Libya and Iran are far from welcoming to their foreign guests.

Daw Suu Kyi formerly hoped that foreign her country and initiate sustained social and economic development. She now believes that, in a country where tourism will largely take the form of tightly monitored packagetrips and a ubiquitous military intelligence will penalise those found conversing with Westerners, foreign currency will simply fortify a tyrannical regime.

Already Burma's efforts to impress are spawning misery. Unpaid "volunteers" are conscripted into repairing the neglected infrastructure of a land where feudal arrangements maintain a governmental right to call on labour in lieu of taxation. Prisoners, shin deep in sludge, dredged a century of silt from the moat around the Royal Palace. In the south, Karen and Mon ethnic minorities were pressed into building a railway from Ye to Tayoy. Whole villages were torched to make way for the track.

To enforce a formal ban on Burmese tourism of the kind contemplated in America would, on principle, be an unwelcome restriction on personal freedom. But a boycott based on consumer choice would be an effective tactic in isolating the generals who have shown such contempt for human rights. Travellers tempted by the undeniable attractions of Burma should bear in mind it is a state built on particularly brutal repression. They should shun it until democracy is restored.

HIGHLAND LINE

From glen to ben, a funicular would help the Cairngorms

A century ago no mountain was too steep for Victorian engineers to tackle. They built tramways down the cliffs of seaside resorts, light railways to panoramic peaks and funiculars that ratcheted their winding way to the top of Snowdon. Their constructions, restored by conservation groups, are now admired for their ingenuity and cherished

for their industrial architecture. Today's engineers face tougher obstacles. Those mountains unscaled by technology are fighting to preserve their lofty isolation. Opposition by environmentalists and nature lovers has killed dozens of plans to build roads into Britain's dwindling wilderness. Now they are threatening also to kill a railway, whose daring equals the grand projects of the past: the Cairngorm Funicular.

The £17 million project has been around for a long time. When, in happier days, Lord Fraser developed plans to transform Aviemore into the hub of a new Scottish skiing industry, he assumed that skiers could rely on buses, cars and chairlifts to reach the mountains. His assumption was as mist-bound as the slopes that offer some of Europe's worst skiing. Aviemore, as even investors admit, has been a dreadful failure. Critics say the shabby assortment of cavernous concrete buildings and incongrous high-rise hotels has become Scotland's most derided tourist resort - an aircraft carrier wi windaes as Billy Connolly once described it. Chalets with self-service cafeterias and raucous tartan-clad pubs hardly make for Alpine aprés-ski glamour.

The Aviemore Centre has changed ownership four times in a decade; the latest vision - for a swimming-pool, ice-rink and leisure complex - may not be enough to restore confidence. The fears that thousands more trippers on skis will reach the top of Cairn Gorm, scattering beer tins as they go, are what lie behind the opposition to the proposed funicular. But they are mistaken.

Britain is no Switzerland. It has few mountains and many who want to explore them - on foot in summer or on skis in winter. Aviemore's chairlifts are old and inadequate. A railway is the best way to move people without the pollution and despoliation of cars: for years, Zermatt allowed only rail access. In an extraordinary concession to the environmentalists, it has been agreed that the funicular can take passengers to the top but once there they are to be confined to a restaurant and a high-tech interpretative centre. That would indeed stop trespass on the virgin peaks. But it is madness. What is the point of scaling a mountain if not to breathe in the air and stretch the limbs? Is it beyond conservancy officials to designate pathways, fence off fragile eco-systems?

The funicular should go ahead. It could even be run by steam: Swiss locomotive technology has built steam trains more cheaply than diesel, as clean as electricity. The railway might finally bring life and vibrancy to the resort at its base. It should be a mountain marvel enjoyed by all, bringing people to mountains they should all be allowed to enjoy.

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sentencing reform

From His Honour Judge Richard Holman

Sir, One of the problems with the Home Secretary's sentencing pro-posals appears in his own letter (May 24). He refers to 217 offenders and 40 crimes. It is not to devalue the gravity of these offences to point out that they represent a minute fraction of the cases dealt with by the criminal courts in a year.

The wisdom of legislation in such circumstances is questionable. Moreover, unless the statute is carefully drafted, which on past record is doubtful, there is a very real danger of the sentencing straitiacket applying in cases it was not intended to cover and, on occasions, not applying in situa-

tions for which it was designed. Therein lies the denial of justice which is of concern to the judiciary.

Yours faithfully, RICHARD HOLMAN, The Crown Court. Crown Square, Manchester.

From His Honour Michael Argyle,

Sir, I believe that those correspondents who oppose the Home Secretary's sentencing proposals do little more than score a few legal and technical points which will appeal to some lawyers, most do-gooders and

More than 90 per cent of crime in this country is tried by magistrates, who take their lead from the judges. The fact is that the courts in the last few years have signally failed to use the powers they already possess. How often do we hear of a maximum sentence being passed, save when the court complains that the statutory limit is inadequate for that particular

This is why the present Home Secretary has, I believe, the overwhelming support of the silent masses who are the actual or potential victims of the criminals, in the face of police powerlessness and judicial and magisterial incompetence. He is our only

Yours sincerely. MICHAEL ARGYLE. The Red House, Nr Southwell, Nottinghamshire.

From Mrs Jan Davies

Sir, It is all very well for Michael Howard and others to hold forth about how criminals are going to be punished more severely. Villains must first be caught and then be prosecuted effectively. Those of us who work daily with the criminal justice system know it is in a parlous

In my work as a defence solicitor, I have come across a number of worrying incidents in the Thames Valley when even 999 calls were not answered because there were simply not enough officers on duty to respond, and numerous cases in which people were not arrested for days, sometimes weeks, even though it must have been obvious where they could be found. Evidence is not always collected from witnesses, and sub-stations are often manned only by answering machines. Senior police officers will admit privately that they have not enough personnel.

Similarly, our local Crown Prosecution Service is starved of resources. Files are sometimes lost, or too much time is spent chasing the police for information which should be readily available. Prosecutors have been warned that if they complain publicly about rumoured plans by Government to run down their operations still further, they risk dismissal.

What is needed is some hard work and some funding, none of which will make the headlines or win cheap cheers at Tory party conferences. The Government seems to have two priorities: to make public pronouncements on how it is going to reduce crime and not to spend any money.

Yours faithfully. JAN DAVIES (solicitor), Reading Solicitors' Chambers. 36 St Mary's Butts, Reading, Berkshire. May 24.

From Mr A. G. T. Walker Sir. If a twice-convicted rapist is sentenced to a mandatory term of life imprisonment, to whom is this a denial of justice" (report, May 24)?

Yours faithfully, ANTONY WALKER, Honeywood House, Mill Lane, St Ippolyts, Nr Hitchin, Hertfordshire. May 24.

Millennium wheel

From Mr Richard Rogers

Sir. The Ferris wheel (letters, April 24) will be a joyful addition to London. can happily imagine floating high above London in a wonderfully designed Ferris wheel powered by the flow of the Thames. Views slowly opening up the Houses of Parliament. the Festival Hall, Trafalgar Square, St Paul's, the great green parks, the tow-ers in the City, the bridges strung across the silvery Thames.

Yours sincerely RICHARD ROGERS. Richard Rogers Partnership, Thames Wharf, Rainville Road, W6.

Disputed plans for Germany and the Final Solution

From Mr Gerald Fleming

Sir, The questions raised by Dr Daniel Goldhagen's book, Hitler's Willing Executioners (review, March 28; report, May 9), are of immense impor-

Dr Goldhagen is a gifted man of the utmost integrity and competence but I believe, as a historian of the Third Reich familiar with the archive material, that he has gone over the top in attributing guilt for the mammoth crime of the "Final Solution" to a whole generation of Germans, on the basis of his careful research in a speci-fic but too narrow field.

The demonisation of the Jews, starting in the Middle Ages, led to dreadful and unique mass murder of lews in our time. This diabolisation grew out of widespread religious and totalitarian extreme militancy and resulted in a never-to-be-forgotten manifestation of "the beast in man", a historic stain from which Europe has not yet fully recovered.

But to point the finger of guilt now at an entire generation of Germans would only be historically correct and fully justified on the basis of substantial newly discovered evidence, or evidence of a historically conclusive nature, disregarded by researchers until now. The evidence at our disposal is neither sufficiently substantial nor conclusive enough to warrant such wholesale historic condemnation.

Rorke's Drift VCs

Sir, I write as a serving officer of the

Royal Regiment of Wales (24th/41st Foot), the modern-day descendants of

the 2nd Warwickshire Regiment and

the South Wales Borderers, in re-

sponse to Michael Allwood's letter (May 23) concerning the Rorke's Drift

As to the "Welshness" of the 24th,

does Dr Allwood believe that the 1881

change of title was plucked from thin

air? Does he regard it as a coincidence

that the renowned Isandhlwana Col-

our, won in January 1879, is laid up in

Brecon Cathedral rather than some-

The change of county title was a

reflection of reality, for the regimental depot of the 24th had been located in

Brecon since 1873, six years before the

Zulu War, and many recruits from

Company of the 2nd Battalion. It

contained many young Welshmen.

probably a smattering of Irishmen

and, I would venture to suggest,

almost nobody from Warwickshire,

The other ancestor of the modern-

day regiment, the 41st Regiment of

Foot, has a specifically Welsh heritage

South Wales were trained there.

The garrison of Rorke's Drift w

where in Warwickshire?

From Major M. R. Snook

May 22. Of the 139-man garrison at Rorke's Drift, 84 were of B Company, ≥nd/ 24th, most of them young Welshmen.

In spite of the most intensive propa-

ganda let loose against the Jews, and particularly against the German Jews

who had lived peaceably and often in

friendship alongside their Christian neighbours for hundreds of years, many Germans were still able, in the

Third Reich, to differentiate between

However, the growing pressure

from the state security organs and party watchdogs led to silently spreading fear and intimidation among the non-fanatical sections of

the populace, and to the inexorable ac-

ceptance of fateful events during the

It must be said that Hitler did not

dare, during the war, to declare for-

mally and openly his responsibility

and that of the German people for the

mass murders committed against the

Jews. This was a calculated silence.

The apparently immaculate image of

the Führer had to be preserved, for he

and his court had every reason to sus-

pect that the German people would

not submit for very long to a regime

which had elevated the cold-blooded

murder of millions to a raison d'état.

Yours sincerely, GERALD FLEMING (Author,

Hitler and the Final Solution).

Emeritus Reader in German,

University of Surrey, Guildford, GU2 5XH.

the propaganda and reality.

Yours sincerely, MICHAEL SNOOK, Army Staff College, Camberley, Surrey. May 23.

From Lieutenant-Colonel Eric Lummis

Sir, Dr Allwood is right to point out that Private Robert Jones enlisted in the 24th (2nd Warwickshire) Regiment, a title it still officially carried in 1879. But it then had no more than a nominal connection with Warwickshire and had depended on recruiting in South Wales for several years. So it is not surprising that Robert Jones, of Raglan, who enlisted about August 1875, found himself in the 24th with many others from that part of Wales, in time to be sent out to South Africa.

It is perhaps worth mentioning that besides the two VCs from the 24th born in Wales, a third, born in Gloucestershire, had served for five years in the Monmouthshire Militia before enlisting in the 24th.

ERIC LUMMIS. 44 Brackendale Road, Camberley, Surrey.

Signs of the times

which predates even 1873.

From Sir Archie Lamb

despite the county title.

Sir, Peter Riddell's article of May 13, "Cabinets, codes and the courts", struck a chord with Zeals Parish Council at its meeting yesterday evening. Since 1994 the council has been trying to persuade the Department of Transport and the Highways Agency to restore a sign to Zeals on the A303(I) bypass arbitrarily removed by the agency without con-sultation and with consequent detrimental effect on the traders of Zeals who, prior to the bypass, relied on the passing trade.

The Parliamentary Commissioner for Administration (the Ombusdman) is precluded by the relevant 1967 Act from hearing a complaint by local councils. The reasons for this may have been valid 30 years ago, when public administration was in the hands of the four tiers of government from Westminster to parish. But the legislation could not have been intended to protect non-elected agencies from scrutiny by the Ombudsman on behalf of elected bodies, since agencies did not then exist.

Parliament - which should be aware of the increased importance attached to the executive and consulrative roles of parish councils (cf the Local Government Review and the Rural White Paper) - should amend the 1967 Act urgently to empower the Ombudsman to accept complaints from elected local councils of maladministration by the non-elected agencies. It must ensure that legislation promotes these roles and does not frustrate them.

Yours faithfully. A. T. LAMB, (Clerk, Zeals Parish Council). White Cross Lodge, Zeals. Wiltshire. May 17.

All at sea

From the Chairman of the Free Church Federal Council

Sir, While we are delighted to read of the appointment of the Reverend Sally Theakston as the first female Anglican chaplain in the Armed Forces (report, May 18), the statement of her vicar that "Sally is boldly going where no woman has gone before needs further comment. Other Churches have already set an example.

Ms Theakston follows in the footsteps of the Reverend Jacqueline Petrie of the United Reformed Church, who has served as a chaplain in the Royal Air Force since 1989. If, as you report, Ms Theakston needs comfort on the thought of being seasick I am sure she will get good advice from the Reverend Caroline Pullman, a Baptist minister who has been a Royal Navy chaplain since 1990, including a period of service aboard an aircraft carrier in the Adriatic during the Bosnian conflict. or from the Reverend Alison Norman. a Church of Scotland Royal Navy chaplain since 1992.

Yours faithfully, JOHN BIGGS. Chairman. Free Church Federal Council. 27 Tavistock Square, WCI. May 20.

Food for thought From Mr Peter Cuming

asks whether the transportation of perishable luxury food around the globe is the most sensible use of the world's limited oil reserves. "Yes", must be the answer. So long as people choose to fly to and from Bangkok in planes hav-ing spare hold capacity, it seems reasonable that this should be so.

Sir, Dr Mary Agass (letter, May 17)

Only if luxurious optional travel is reduced is the inessential "transportation of perishable luxury food" likely to diminish. Extravagant travellers have it in their power to stop international asparagus trafficking.

Yours faithfully, PETER CUMING. 34 Savernake Road, NW3. May 17.

From Mr Anthony Kenney-Herbert Sir, I was delighted to hear that Dr Agass has managed to buy some English asparagus. I prize every spear from my new and modest-sized asparagus bed.

The score so far this year? Thirtyfive spears against 89 on the same date last year. Perhaps an asparagus bed would be a good barometer of how warm or, in this case, how cold the spring has been?

Yours faithfully, ANTHONY KENNEY-HERBERT. The Poplars, Rolstone, Hewish, Weston-super-Mare, North Somerset. May 17.

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Export of paintings by living artists

From Mr J. T. W. Martin

Sir. The Painter's Room, painted by Lucian Freud in 1943, was purchased at Sotheby's in 1994 by my client, a much respected foreign collector who has established her own museum of

modern art. For the first time since the Waverley criteria were introduced 40 years ago. providing that consent to export a work of art over 50 years old may be refused, even if the creator of that work is still living, an export licence was refused (report, March 5). This caused deep personal offence to the owner — who has in any event offered to lend it to the Tate Gallery, once

export permission has been given. Since the matter is being reconsidered, may I suggest that henceforth consent should be given to export works of art by living artists, for the following reasons among others:

1. To do otherwise may provoke other countries to take the same chauvinistic approach. This is contrary to the free movement of works of art around the world and the interests of British collectors and museums (both have always been able to buy works of art by living artists from abroad and bring them to the UK).

2. Refusal contravenes at the very least the spirit of European Community regulations concerning the free trade between member states.

3. The possibility of refusal could be an incentive to collectors and muse-ums in this country to sell or export valuable works which are approaching 50 years of age.

It seems bizarre that this one painting (which has been offered on loan in this country in any event) has been refused an export licence. I trust that the Heritage Secretary will reverse the earlier decision.

Yours faithfully, J. T. W. MARTIN, Trowers and Hamlins (solicitors). New Square. Lincoln's Inn, WC2 May 24.

Nesting birds

From Mr John Henderson

Sir, Research by the British Trust for Ornithology now suggests (News in brief, earlier editions, May 21) it is safe to carry on feeding garden birds during the nesting season. It had been thought that, given an easy food supply, parents would not give their chicks a balanced diet.

I had left one of our bird feeders empty because it was within 12ft of a nestbox occupied by blue tits, but I refilled it after reading your report. I have since noticed that the only time the parent birds go to the nut feeder is on their way out - they do not go back to the nest from it.

It seems that unlike many human parents these birds see fast food as suitable only for a quick snack, not as a balanced diet for a growing family. which makes the phrase "bird brained" seem unjust.

Yours faithfully, JOHN HENDERSON. Summers Farm, Hurdle Drove, West Row, Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk.

From Mrs B. G. Nicholas

Sir, I was delighted to read that it is now quite in order to put out seeds, peanuts and other food for the birds throughout the summer as well as during the winter.

Having been a bird lover and feeder all my life, I always felt that it was an insult to birds to suggest that, although they can fly thousands of miles every year in migration and build their nests solely with their beaks, they are not capable of deciding on the right food for their young.

Yours faithfully, B. G. NICHOLAS, Policeman's Contage, Llantilio, Abergavenny, Gwent.

Valueless forecasts

From Mr Peter Wood Sir, I believe that the BBC must act to

save the weather forecast from degenerating into an incomprehensible babble. What was, I suppose, originally intended to be a friendly, less austere forecast style has now become so vague as to be useless.

Phrases such as "up there in the mountains" or "over those eastern coasts", with their indifference as to exact locations, and the apparent pressure on forecasters to apologise for rain (letter, May 2) combine to empty the forecast of its value.

Yours faithfully, PETER WOOD. Newbold Farm, Duntisbourne Abbots. Cirencester, Gloucestershire.

Starry-eyed

From Mr Douglas Lee

Sir, Airbus has designed a "cosy twinbedded 'honeymoon suite'" long-range A340 jet (article, May 16). Does it think newly-married couples should start as they mean to go on?

Yours sincerely, DOUGLAS LÉE, 25 Camberley Avenue, SW20.

Birthdays today

Dr Eric Anderson, Rector, Lincoln College, Oxford, 60; Mrs Irene Andrews, headmistress, Rick-mansworth Masonic School, 54; the Right Rev Simon Barrington-Ward, Bishop of Coventry, 66; Admiral Sir Benjamin Bathurst, 60; Mr Jeffrey Bernard, writer, 64; Miss Cilla Black, singer and broadcaster. 53; Viscount Boyne. 31; Miss Bryony Brind, ballerina. 36; Earl Cairns, 57; Mr Pat Cash, tennis player, 31; Field Marshal Sir John Chapple, 65; Mr Lewis Collins, actor, 50; Colonel Sir William Crawshay, 76; Lord Erroll of Hale, 82; Mr Roger Freeman, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, 54; Mr Paul Gascoigne, footballer, 29; Mr Duncan Goodhew, swimmer. 39; Miss Patricia Gould, former matron-inchief, QARNNS, 72; Mr Norman Griggs, vice-president, Building Societies Association, 80: Lord Holme of Cheltenham, 60: Dr Henry Kissinger, KCMG, former American Secretary of State, 73: Mr Christopher Lee, actor, 74; the Duke of Leinster, 82; Sir John Moberly, diplomat, 71; Miss Thea Musgrave, composer, 69; Mr Patrick O'Ferrall, chairman, Lloyd's Resident 62; Mc Carall Patrick Register, 62: Mr Gerald Ronson, chief executive, Heron Inter-national, 57; Miss Florence Sharples, former executive director, YWCA; 65; Mr Sam Snead, golfer, 84; Sir Ross Stainton, former chairman, BOAC, 82; Mr M.G.T. Webster, former chair-

University news

Oxford SOMERVILLE COLLEGE

EXECUTORS:

a Bellby Scholarship in Biological Science: Madeleine O'Keeffe (formerly of Kingston College).

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To an Irene Seymour instrumental Scholarship in Music Samantha Claire Boyle formerly of The Kings School, Macclesfield).

London):

To a College Prize in English and Modern Languages: Helen Louise Bailey (formerly of Coichester County High School for Girls).

To a T H Green Prize in Literae Humaniores: Lindsey Nicola Chadwick (formerly of Lansdowne ISFC, London).

Cambridge ST JOHN'S COLLEGE

Elections:
Research fellowships from October 1, 1996: Michael Reginald Frogley. Earth Sciences: Simon James Harrison. Ancient Philosophy and Patristic Theology. Catherine Mary Keen. Medieval Italian Literature: Mary Rachel Laven. Early Modern Italian History. Catherine Isobel McClay. Electrical Engineering. To a fellowship and as lecturer in economics from October 1: Diana Vivienne Oglivy Barrowclough.

Hickock, US marshal, Troy Grove, Illinois, 1837; Arnold Bennett, nov-elist, Hanley, Staffordshire, 1867; Georges Rouault, Expressionist painter, Paris, 1871; Isadora Dun-Frank Woolley, England and Kent cricketer. Tonbridge, 1887; 1894; Sir John Cockroft, physicist, Nobel laureate 1951, Todmorden, Yorkshire, 1897; Hubert Humphrey, American Vice-President 1965-69, Wallace, South Dakota,

estant reformer, executed,
Mulhausen, Germany, 1525; John
Calvin, Protestant reformer,
Geneva, 1564; François Babeuf,
revolutionary, executed, Vendôme,
1797; Niccolo Paganini, composer and violin virtuoso, Nice, 1840; Sir Joseph Swan, chemist and physicist, Warlingham, Surrey, 1914; Sir Thomas Blamey, Field Marshal, Melbourne, 1951; Pandit Jawaharial Nehru, first Prime Minister of India 1947-64, New Delhi, 1964.

The Habeas Corpus Act was Tsar Peter the Great proclaimed St Petersburg the new Russian cap-

maiden voyage from Southamptor via Cherbourg to New York. 1936.

Legal appointments Mr Joseph William Gaskell to be a

Mr Robert James Winstanley to be a circuit judge, assigned to the South Eastern Circuit

The 1996 Rothschild Prize in Physics has been awarded to Professor Yoseph Imry, of the Weizmann Institute of Science in Israel. Professor Imry is an expert in the

Nature notes

woods and fields: with their curved wings, they look from some angles like large swifts. These acrobatic, dark blue falcons have become more widespread in the last few years. Goldfinches are building their mossy nests in the branches of fruit trees; they are the last of the finches to start breeding, since they like to feed their young on the thistle seeds that develop in June and July. There are many fledgeling blackbirds and song-thrushes hiding under bushes while their parents hunt for worms.

The air is full of the fluffy seed from sallow trees: it floats into cars and railway carriages. There are bright green leaves among the dark ivy on walls and tree-trunks. Many of the low-growing flowers of late May are now in



bloom where grass is patchy. The five-petalled red stars of storksbill often grow near the tiny purplish flowers of dove's-foot cranesbill; both have seeds that look like long beaks. Germander speedwell grows along the ground, turning up at the end: it has nettlelike leaves and brilliant blue flowers with a white eye-spot in the middle. Some wild strawberry flowers are already giving way to fruit. DJM

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Amelia Bloomer, cam paigner for women's rights, Homer, New York, 1818; Julia former, New York, 1819; Wild Bill can, dancer, San Francisco, 1877; Dashiell Hammett, crime writer,

DEATHS: Thomas Muntzer, Prot-

Service dinner

41 Fighter Squadron, RAF
Wing Commander L.G.S. Matthew
was the principal guest at the 80th
anniversary dinner of 41 Fighter
Squadron, RAF, held on Saturday
at the Stakis Hotel, Norwich. Wing
Commander, C.N. Harper, Officer
Commanding. presided. Lady
(John) Thomson, Air Chief Marshal Sir Roy Austen-Smith and Air
Vice-Marshal John Day were
among the guests.

finish, the London regional final of The Times/Aberlour Crossword Championship at the Royal Lancaster Hotel on Saturday was jointly won by Tony Sever, 52, a computer circuit judge, assigned to the Wales and Chester Circuit. systems designer from Ealing, west London, and Michael Mr Alistair William McCreath to be a circuit Judge, assigned to the Midland and Oxford Circuit. Trollope, 50, a chemical engi-

Rothschild Prize

mathematician, and Nick Petty. 43, a systems manager. The pairs event was won by Alan Porteous, 53, a trademark attorney, and his son Jonathan, 29, a lawyer, with an average time of under 14 Roger Green, 55, a writer, and Douglas Duff, 48, a schoolmaster, both from Oxford.

Scholarships

for the Army

The following have been awarded Army scholarships for eventual entry to RMA Sandhurst:

Sophie Alexander, Wakefield High School

Patricia Bateson, Bell Baxter High School

Christopher Cameron, Wellington School,

Tomas Cannon, Marlborough College. Thomas Clack, King's School,

Paul Clark, Queen Elizabeth's Boys School, Barnet. Stuart Clark, Tonbridge School.

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By Brian Greer IN AN exceptionally tight

Wordy devotion: some of the 500 competitors of the London regional final of The Times/Aberlour Crossword Championship puzzle it out Archaeology: French Palaeolithic site

Baby's ear sheds light on link between the Neanderthal age and modern man

By Norman Hammond, archaeology correspondent

A BABY'S ear may hold a vital clue to human ancestry, illuminating the link between Neanderthal and modern man. It may also shed light on Neanderthal creativity in toolmaking and ornamentation.

neer from Worthing, West The baby in question died about 34,000 years ago. Part of Each solved four puzzles its skull was excavated some correctly in an average time of nine minutes. Taking fractionyears ago at the French Palaeolithic site of Arcy-surally longer, and also qualify-Cure, 35 kilometres southeast ing for the national final were of Auxerre. Stone tools found Anne Bradford, 65, a lexicogat Arcy were attributed to the rapher, Peter Brooksbank, 42, Chatelperronian industry, for a government lawyer, Roger many years seen as the first Hooper, 47, a software engineer, John Meaden, 47, a time that technically advanced blade tools appeared in Westem Europe.

Personal jewellery made from animal teeth and shells was also found, suggesting a degree of conceptual thought in its creators; such portable art, like that on cave walls, exclusively the product of modern human beings, Homo sapiens sapiens, and not the

College School, Wimbledon. Andrew Cowie, Wellington School. Michael Dodge, Guildford County

Lisa Downes-Powell, St Lawrence College

college. Christopher Duxbury, Sedbergh Chool.

school. Martin Finn, John Hampden Grammar School. Damian Flanagan, Cranbrook

James Fox, Rugby School.
James Grant, Netherhall Sixth
Form College.

Mark Harrison, Wellington

College. Catriona Holmes, Prior Park College. Hannah James, Stowe School.

Dylan Langley, St John's School,

Angus Mathers, Cheitenham College, Richard Mills, Duke of York's Royal Military School. Michael Mitchell, Felsted School.

Neanderthalers, who were seen as their ancestors. Views of the relationship have changed, however, and most scholars now regard Homo sapiens neanderthalensis as an evolutionary dead-

end, replaced by immigrant sapients from the East. In that respect, the identification in Nature this month of the Arcysur-Cure baby as a Neanderthaler raises some problems. The skull fragment, comprising the left temporal bone and associated inner-ear labyrinth of a child about a year

old, comes from Layer Xb. dated by radiocarbon to about 33,820 years ago. Jean-Jacques Hublin and his colleagues show that the semicircular canals of the labyrinth, used for balancing and upright walking, sit far lower than those of either modern man or smaller relative to body size. "The Arcy specimen can be

identified as Neanderthal on

Oliver Morgan, Bristol Grammar School. Oliver Ormiston, Bedford School.

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Angus Saunders, Royal Grammar School, Guildford.

Benjamin Shephard, King's School, Bruton.

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Benjamin Taylor, Manchester Grammar School.

Alastair Thomson, Queen Victoria School, Dunbiane.

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Collège.
Anna-Marie Watson, Central
Newcastle High School.
Paul Withers, West Somerset
Community School.
Nicholas Wolstenholme, Christ's
Hospital.

anderthal features shown by its labyrinth," they say. The dating makes it among the recent of

Since modern humans are now known to have entered western Europe by 40,000 years ago, that implies coexistence of the two sub-species of mankind for at least six millennia. The stone tools from Arcy suggest that the Châtelperronian was technically syncretic, based on Neanderthal flake technology but apeing

Aurignacian blades introduced by modern humans. That indicates "a high degree of acculturation", the investigators say, while "the association with personal ornaments so similar to those found in contemporary and questions the nature of the cultural interactions with humans". Rather

the forms of the parallel-sided

than granting the Arcy Neanderthalers the possibility of creative ideas, or even technical imitation, however Dr Hublin's team regard the personal jewellery as evidence of trade. They believe that the biological evidence of separate evolution, seen in the infant ear labyrinth, means that fully

human thought processes did

not illuminate the Neander-

thal mind.

That accords with the conclusions recently reached by Dr Paul Mellars of Cambridge University on archaeological grounds: that lack of a language to describe things accurately prevented Nean-derthalers from matching "a name with a mental image (The Times, February 5, 1996). Whether the Neanderthalers were wiped out by brighter moderns or starved out in unequal competition for resources remains to be settled.

Source: Nature 381:224-226.

Nannies for lifetime honoured in Madrid

FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN MADRID

DAVID BRIGHTY, the British Ambassador to Spain, has conferred the insignia of honorary MBEs on two elderly nannies at the British Council School in Madrid.

Doña Manuela Aedo and Doña Remedios Ribera, who both retired last September. served at the school for 49 and 51 years. Known simply as Manuelita and Remedios to

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the generations of children whom they looked after with care and dedication, the two women began their service shortly after the end of the

Spanish Civil War. Among their wards have been Esperanza Aguirre, now Spain's Minister for Education and Culture, and the children of the Duchess of Alba. The school was founded in 1940 by Walter Starkie, the British Council's first representative in Spain.

Marriages

The Hon Lake Bridgeman and Miss V.R. Frost

The marriage took place on Sat-urday at the Church of St Nicholas, Eydon, Northamptonshire, of the Hon Luke Robinson Orlando Bridgeman, second son of Viscount and Viscountess Bridgeman. to Miss Victoria Rose Frost, youngest daughter of the late Mr Henry Frost and of Mrs William Mellen. The Rev Dr John Courtie officiated, assisted by Canon Hayda:
Smart and the Rev Nicolas Statey.

The bride, who was given in marrige by her stepfather, Mr william Mellen, was anended by Harriet Asquith. Kate Macnamara, Esther Oakley and Rose Sutcliffe, Mr George Os-

borne was best man. A reception was held at the home of the bride and the huneymoon will be spent abroad.

Mr H.G. Bottomicy and Miss M.N. de Vicente

The marriage mok place on Small urday at the Capilla de Prado, Largo, Madrid, of Mr. Henry Bottomley, youngest son of Small lames and the late Lady Bottomley, of Cambridge, to Miss. Nieves de Vicente, daughter of Dr. and Mrs Gaspar de Vicente, of Madrid. The Rev Stephen T.

The bride, who was given to r marriage by her father, was at-tended by Marina Saint Carnicero, Mrs. Jane. Reid, sister of the bridegroom, was best man. A reception was held at Club dealt Prado Largo and the honeymousistw being spent in Minorea.

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marriages Mr G.A. Hope of Luffness and Mrs A.M.W.J. Haitema

The marriage has been arranged, and will take place shortly, of George Archibald Hope of Lufiness and Mrs Anna Maria Willemina Jacoba Fabius, widow of Jean Gaspard Haitsma Mulier. Mr M.G. Profiero

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and Miss T.L. Rigden The engagement is announced between Mark, son of Mr and Mrs Keith Prothero, of Hong Kong, and Tessa, youngest daughter of Mr and Mrs David Rigden, of Colston Bassett, Nottinghamshire.

Latest wills

Viscount Leathers, of '? Chiddingfold, Surfey, shipping "Executive, former chairman of 'A William Cory & Son, left estate... valued at £390,290 net. Mrs Kathleen Back, of Wimble don, London (Kathleen Harrison,

the actress), left estate valued at 1. E122.249 net. Katharine Margaret Gill, of Wal-119 ton-on-the Hill, Surrey, left estate valued at £1,783,816 net.After per sonal bequests totalling £11,000

she left the residue equally be::. tween the RNLI RNIB, RSPCA, RSPB, the Danilo Dolchi Trust. Sicily, and Afghanaid. Mr Neil Anthony Smith, of Helensburgh, Scotland, formerly of Brentford, Middlesex, left esta

valued at £5,671,994 net. He left 🖪 £950,000 to the Newby Trust. Professor Sir Harold Walter Baikey, of Cambridge, Professor of & Sanskrit at Cambridge University and 1938-67, left estate valued at £152,153 net. Mrs Anne Denise Loudon, of

Tichborne, Hampshire, left estate valued at £3,226,410 net.

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HOWARD - To Alex and Jame cafe Gibb), on 4th May, a damphier, Arnella Alexandra, a sister for Angus.

STERRIBER - On 9th May, to Deburah (née Hutton) and Chartle, a son, Frederick Moritiner Lincolne, a hrother for Archie. Romilty and Clemmits.

MARRIAGES

DEAKING. JEHNINGS - The marriage of 11. Col. Michael Deakin and Mrs Elleen Jennings. Não Gandoe, took place quietly in Galddord on Friday 24th May 1996.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARIES

SERASTIAN: SAUNDERS -On May 27th, 1946, at All Salats Church, Norton Filzwarten, Peter to Pagillia. **DEATHS**

CUGNEY - Dane Stemor, peacefully at home on Thursday 23rd May, Beloved widow of Canon John Boughey and mether of Jane and Michael, Derling Pawps to Octavia, Comm. Alexander and Nicholas. Alexander and Nicholas. Family funeral service to take place in Narboroush. Norfolk. A Thanksgiving Service will take place at 8t Petar's Church, Brackley, on. Wednesday 19th June 1996 at 19 nose

MEMORIAL SERVICES BOWRING - Emma Grace, on 24th May in Fort Myers. Florids, in her 90th year. Dearly loved wife of Thurston Bowring of Nassan, Baharnas. ORSY/WILDE - There w Kirby and Crinen Wil The Great Hall, Longie Sunday 2nd June 1996 a Spm. RSVP Sermy 01985 844400 + 227. ROSTHWAITE - On 220 Iday 1996 peacefully at The Royal Star and Garter Home. Richmond, Brigndler Peter Crostowalle, beloved Jather IN MEMORIAM -

Cruthwatte, beloved father of Wendy, grandfather of Robin and Chure and nouch loved husband of the late-Anne, Funeral Service at the Duwis Crematorium. Hear Road, Brighton, on Friday 51st May at 11,45 nm. Fastily flowers only but donelions if desired for The Royal Sux and Gaster Hottle or the R.A. Charitable Fund of Sungard & Sons Ltd. 90 Suckville Road, Hove, East Sousce BN3 3HE. THE O - Plus qu' hier, ;

DEAPER - On 24th May at her home in Airesford. Petal (Nie Paym), beloved wite of the late Max, loving mother of James. Strom. Mandy and Nicholas and Grandmother of twatve. Eng's to Juo Sinet and Son. Cheell Hodne. Winchester. 01962 844044

McCARCE - Coim McCance, pancefully at House of Strechan, Banchory, on 24th May 1996. Funeral arrangements later, family flowers only.

WALLACE - Richard Me aged 64, on 24th May at home, with his usual dignity. home, with his usual digasty, adored husband of Viviense, much loved teither to Castra. Graeme and Rowena. Funeral strictly private followed by a celebration of Means' life to which all his friends are invited in the guiden at Fire House Mington Langley on Thursday 30th May at 3.00pm. Some indication of numbers appreciated. Ne mouraing, Bright colours. Family flowers only but densitions in his messary if desired to Marie Coric Cancer Care at Dorothy House Foundation, Winstey, Withhire.

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OBITUARIES

HIS HONOUR BERNARD GILLIS

His Honour Bernard Gillis QC, an Additional Judge at the Central Criminal Court, 1964-80, died on May 5 aged 90. He was born on August 10, 1905.

ON AT least one occasion Bernard Gills's instinctive compassion got the better of him. After jailing a rapist for life at the Old Bailey, he agreed that the man's identity should not be disclosed for fear of distressing his elderly parents. But two hours later, after protests from the press, Gillis reconvened the court with his apologies - to admit that he had no power to make such an order.

The mistake was a rare one in a career spanning half a century, during which Gillis had become an institution at the Old Bailey - with his name almost a household word through its constant appearance in the newspapers. At one time he was equally familiar on the radio. Before the war he devised and presented two series for the then fledgeling BBC, one called Around The Courts and the other Is That The Law? Then eight years ago he appeared before his biggest audience then he took the part of the judge on Relevision at a mock trial of the late Sir Roger Hollis, the former head of MIS whom some had suspected of being a Soviet spy.

But Gillis kept his own views to

himself, remaining as always scrupulously fair. Among the many Old Testament quotations for which he was famous, his favourite — as it was Lord Beaverbrook's — came from the Book of Micah: "Do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly before your God."

His mastery of scriptures was hardly surprising. Born Bernard Benjamin Gillis in north London, he was the son of a rabbi and one-time headmaster. whose forebears had migrated to this country from Lithuania. Being born around midnight on August 10-11, Bernard always claimed two birthdays on the ground that no one was sure which one was his.

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When he was ten the family moved to Nottingham, where he went to High Pavement School. Then six years later they moved again to Newcastle upon Tyne, from where he won a place at Downing College, Cambridge, to read Law. A studious and ambitious undergraduate, he played little sport but was elected to the committee of the Cam-

1958.



bridge Union Society and spoke from time to time in union debates.

Gillis was called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1927 and joined the North Eastern Circuit. He also took an increasing interest in politics and stood three times for Labour in general elections, at Henley-on-Thames, Bromley and in one of the safer Tory seats in Newcastle. But he had little chance in any of them and gave up trying to get

into Parliament at the age of 30 in order to concentrate on his career at the Bar.

Commissioned in the RAF in the Second World War, Gillis served on the operations staff at Northwood in Middlesex, and at Leuchars in Fife before being posted to Canada in 1942. He returned two years later and was on the staff at Reading until the end of

Resuming his legal career on being demobilised with the rank of squadron leader, he built up a reputation for sifting through the financial detail of fraud cases. He took silk in 1954, was made Recorder of Bradford in 1959 and served as commissioner at various times at the Central Criminal Court and at the Assizes in Lancaster, Cheltenham and Bodmin.

In 1964, however, he was appointed a judge at the Old Bailey, where he was to spend the next 16 years. He was elected a bencher of Lincoln's Inn in 1960 and served as treasurer in 1976 the same year in which Downing College made him an honorary fellow.

When he retired in 1980, he shared a leaving party with another Old Bailey judge, Alan King-Hamilton, whose career had run on parallel lines to his own. Freshmen together at Cambridge, they had both become squadron leaders in the war, had taken silk at the same time and been appointed judges on the same day — to form something of a joint institution at the Central Criminal Court.

Gillis was known for his dry wit and his attention to English grammar. He used to tell each of his pupils: "Don't forget, dear boy, the English barrister is the custodian of the English lan-guage." He was intensely proud of his profession and resented any affront to

its dignity.

In retirement he continued to sit occasionally at the Crown Courts of Lewes, Chichester and Brighton where he lived. He said, while sitting at Brighton, that for the first time in his life he was able to get home in time for

He loved walking in the country and in town and was a knowledgeable historian of London. He would take overseas visitors on personally conducted tours, displaying an encyclopaedic knowledge of the capital and its buildings. He spent part of his retirement writing and had almost completed his memoirs before he died.

Prominent in British Jewry, he was at one time a member of the British Board of Deputies, was a governor of the Jewish public school, Carmel College, and was the first chairman of the Association of Jewish Ex-Servicemen.

Yet Bernard Gillis was above all else a family man. He is survived by his wife Jessica and by their son.

GROUP CAPTAIN JAMES JEFFS



Group Captain James Jeffs, CVO. OBE, former Airport Commandant at London Heathrow, died on May 14 aged 96. He was born on January 27, 1900.

A PIONEER of air traffic control from the early days of its application to civil aviation, James Jeffs was successively in charge of Croydon, Prestwick and Heathrow international airports. He had been in on the ground floor of air traffic control from his time at the Air Ministry in the years immediately after the end of the First World War and was the central figure in the practical development of British air traffic control services during the 1920s and 1930s.

George James Horatio Jeffs was born at Chilvers Coton, near Nuneaton, Warwickshire, and educated at Hedleston School, Derby. He left there at the age of 17, joining the Royal Naval Air Service and, in 1918, the newly founded RAF.

Posted to Air Ministry headquarters from 1919 to 1922, he was next appointed air traffic control officer at what was then known as "the London Terminal Aerodrome" at Croydon.

There, though still only 22, he quietly and quickly began to exert an incisive but benevolent authority over the wide variety of flying - which was a feature of the Croydon airport of those days. Operations ranged from early air transport services through day-to-day flying instruction to a remarkable series of pioneering long-distance

These included those of Hinkler, Cobham, Amy John-Francis Chichester, Kingsford-Smith, Scott and Mollison, as well as many

"one-off" occasions, such as the arrival at Croydon of Charles Lindbergh from Brus-sels in May 1927 (after his epic solo flight from New York to Paris), the first Atlantic flight direct to Croydon by Brock and Schlee in August 1927, and Amy Johnson's return from Australia on August Bank Holiday 1930. Both Lindbergh and Arny Johnson unleashed enthusiastic welcomes from crowds of more than 100,000 people, which

necessitated vigorous rescue

efforts by Jimmy Jeffs. In all of this, the large, sturdy and unflappable Jeffs was always serenely in charge, while his authoritative voice could be heard by those able to tune in their wireless sets to 900 metres, as he informed airline captains of their position in reassuring tones. The positions of incoming aircraft were obtained by cross-bearings from Croydon and the airship station at Pulham, Norfolk, and estab-

to intersect on a table man. In 1934, when the volume of Croydon's air traffic had grown from its small beginnings to a total of about 100,000 passengers a year, Jeffs moved to take charge at Heston airport - then looked

lished by the simple device of two lengths of string stretched

upon as the possible replacement for Croydon as London's major air terminal. From Heston, in 1938, Jeffs became chief instructor at the Air Ministry's School of Air Traffic Control until, at the outbreak of war, he was

posted to the headquarters of RAF Fighter Command, to develop ground-to-air control procedures. At the same time he accompanied King George VI and Winston Churchill on some of their early wartime journeys by air.

staff officer to the Deputy Chief of the Air Staff, before moving to Gloucester as Commanding Officer Overseas Control. When deliveries by air of military aircraft from the United States and Canada began Jeffs was appointed Commanding Officer Trans-Atlantic Air Control, Prestwick. From there in 1942 he went to the headquarters of RAF Ferry Command, Montreal, as British chairman of the North Atlantic Control

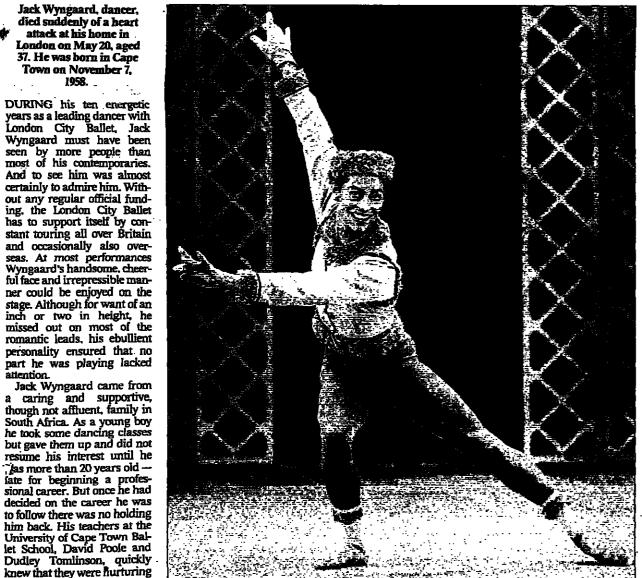
Between 1943 and 1945 Jeffs was at the headquarters of RAF Transport Command and, in 1944 became a member of the British delegation, under Lord Swinton, to the Chicago international civil aviation conference. He returned to London to the headquarters of the new Ministry of Civil Aviation in 1945 and, next year, was awarded National Air Traffic Officer's Licence No 1.

Between 1950 and 1957, he was back on familiar ground as Airport Commandant at the busy transatlantic base at Prestwick and completed 44 years of aviation service as Airport Commandant at Heathrow from 1957 to 1960, when he retired.

He was appointed OBE in 1943 and CVO in 1960. In 1944 he had been awarded the United States Legion of Merit. No one had contributed more to the safe operations of air traffic control in the United Kingdom throughout the previous years of peace and war.

On his retirement, Jimmy Jeffs continued to be active in the Royal Aero Club's affairs and was a familiar and popular figure at aviation meetings throughout the country. He married Phyllis Rosina Bell in 1921. She died in 1992 He is survived by two sons and a daughter.

JACK WYNGAARD



In five years with the Cape Town company he played a wide range of major roles. In the classics he danced Blue-bird in The Sleeping Beauty. Franz in Coppelia, and Le Spectre de la Rose. From the modern international reper-

toire, he took the lead in Ashton's Les Rendezvous, the Dancing Master in De Valois's The Rake's Progress and Jasper in Cranko's Pineapple Poll. The company's own creations provided further opportunities: among

The Rev Andrew Froud, Assistant

Northampton

them Puck in A Midsummer Night's Dream, Kay in The Snow Queen and Mercury in Orpheus in the Underworld. Moving to Britain, Wyngaard joined London City Ballet in August 1986, though he occasionally returned to

Cape Town for guest performances. He added many roles, both old and modern, to his repertoire. A memorable Mercutio in Romeo and Juliet, he sometimes played Romeo instead; in La Sylphide he appeared both as James, the hero, and his rival Gurn. When he played the Jester in Swan Lake, his own disarming enthusiasm helped to offset the character's potentially tiresome pushiness. Several of the standard bravura showpieces came his way too; the famous duets from The Corsair. Don Quixote and Flower Festival at Genzano.

Jack Carter's ballets provided him with some notable roles, including the title part in The Witchboy and the tirelessly energetic second movement of Three Dances to Japanese Music. In David Lichine's Graduation Ball it was difficult to say whether he was better suited to the choreographer's own former role of the Leading Cadet, or to the crisp virtuoso solo of the Drummer

But for many spectators the part that will spring first to mind when thinking of him is the Boy in Blue in Ashton's Les Patineurs, a ballet that showed off perfectly Wyngaard's humour, strong technique, crisp style and bub-bling personality.

He had to drop out of London City Ballet's present tour, after playing Buttons in Cinderella, when he was diagnosed as suffering from tuberculosis. The illness responded to treatment and his return was eagerly awaited by his fellow dancers, who enjoyed his warm, friendly personality as much as their audiences did. They and his former colleagues in South Africa, where he is remembered with affection, were stunned by his sudden death from an unrelated and unsuspected heart

condition. Wyngaard was unmarried.

SIR THEODORE BRANCKER

In 1941 Jeffs was appointed

Sir Theodore Brancker, QC, President of the Senate, Barbados, 1971-76, died on April 28 aged 87. He was born on February 9, 1909.

SERVING for 39 consecutive years in the Barbados Parliament, Sir Theodore Brancker was its longest-standing member. Although he was black, he came from the type of privi-leged family which won easy acceptance among the white community. But Brancker chose to turn his back on the elite and during the 34 years that he served in the House of Assembly as MP for St Lucy, he championed the causes of the oppressed. He questioned the rights of the few to govern a country at the expense of the majority of its people. Though personally unassuming and possessed of a disarmingly boyish smile, in politics, he once declared, he had never known how to be defeated. Brancker was the only MP

in his country to have served as both Speaker of the House and President of the Senate. He was variously a member of

the Barbados Labour Party and the Democratic Labour Party (DLP) and he served as Leader of the Opposition from 1956 to 1961. His contribution to his country was recognised by his knighthood in 1969.

John Eustace Theodore Brancker was educated at Harrison College in Barbados and the London School of Economics, where he obtained a Certificate in Colonial Administration. He went on to read for the Bar at Middle Temple before returning to Barbados in 1933. In his ensuing years of practice as a barrister, he was involved in several of the trials which were to become part of the folklore of his country, includ-ing that of Percy Bushell, the man who committed the island's first bank robbery.

Brancker was a dedicated lawyer. In 1961 he turned down an offer to serve as a Minister of the Crown because to serve in any ministry would have been to give up his entitlement to practise at the Bar. In that same year he was appointed QC (Barbados) and continued to work as a lawyer

until failing eyesight and advancing years eventually called a halt to his career. But it was as a public

servant that Brancker made his greatest impact. He entered politics in 1937, a watershed year in which the island was riven by riots. From 1937 to 1971 he served continuously in the House of Assembly: as Leader of the Opposition, Speaker of the House, 1961-71, and President of the Senate.

Brancker maintained a lifelong interest in education and served for many years on the board of governors of several schools in Barbados. He also took a keen interest in civic affairs and was an earnest Rotarian and a long-standing member of the advisory board of the St Joseph Hospital.

For many years Brancker was president of the Empire Cricket Club, assisting in the promotion of Barbados's national sport. He was a Fellow of the Royal Commonwealth Society and the Royal Overseas

League He is survived by his wife Esme, whom he married in 1967, and by his children.

Church news

Appointments include: The Rev David Bailey, Vicar, South Cave and Ellerker and comfleet, to continue as Rural Dean of Howden (York) for a further five years.

a natural talent.

After only 18 months,

Wyngaard joined the Cape

Town Ballet as a soloist, and

his directors soon found that

there was no way they could overtax his enthusiasm for

work. His love of dancing

conveyed itself immediately to

audiences and was the chief

The Rev Barbara Baisley, Adviser for Women's Ministry (Coventry), to be Head of Department and diocesan vocations adviser, and continue as associate minister. St John the Baptist, Berkswell, same

The Rev Stuart Beake, Vicar, Shottery and Rural Dean of Fosse, to be also Diocesan Director of

Ordinands (Coventry) The Rev Jolyon Bradshaw, Priestin-charge. St Mary Magdalene Figh St Olave. St John and St Luke, Ermondsey, to be Rector, St Mary Magdalene with St Olave, St John and St Luke, Bermondsey,

(Southwark). The Rev Ted Chapman, Vicar, Bulmer with Dalby, Terrington and Welburn, to continue as Rural Dean of Bulmer and Malton (York) for a further five years. The Rev James Clarke, Chaplain, College of St Mark and St John (Exercr), to be Vicar, Lindfield

The Rev Peter Crooks, Priest-incharge, Hunningham and Wappenbury with Weston-under-Wetherley, to be also Vicar, Long Itchington and Marton and have responsibility for St Gregory, Offichurch (Coventry).

The Rev George Davies. Chaplain, Thurrock Lakeside Shopping Centre (Chelmsford), to be Vicar, Andrew, Mottingham (Southwark). The Rev Brian Eaves, Team Vicar, Ruckhurst Hill (Chelmsford), to be

Rector, Culworth with Sulgrave and Thorpe Mandeville and Chipping Warden with Edgcote Deterhonyself). The Rev John Evans, Rector, Greens Norton with Bradden and

Lichborough, to be Vicar, Christ

Curate, Almondbury with Parnley Tyas team parish (Wakefield), to be Priest-in-charge, Wootton, Isle of Wight (Portsmouth). The Rev Nigel Fry, Curate, All Hallows, Wellingborough, to be Rector, Peakirk with Glinton and Northborough (Peterborough). The Rev Andrew Gough, Curate, Wavertree (Liverpool), to be Chap-lain of Warwick School (Coventry). The Rev Richard Harrison, Assistant Chaplain, Merchant Taylors

Church.

School, to be Chaplain, Ardingly College (Chichester). Mary, Hayes (London).

The Rev Peter Homewood, Curate, St Martin, Ruislip, to be Rector, St. The Rev Duncan Johnston, Curate, Werrington, to be Vicar, Great Doddington and Wilby (Peterborough). The Rev Donald Jones, Vicar,

Beckton (Chelmsford), to be Vicar.

St Nicolas, Nuneaton (Coventry). The Rev Timothy L'Estrange, Curate, Halesworth with Linstead, Chediston, Holton St Peter, Blyford, Spexhall, Wissert and Walpole (St Edmundsbury and pswich), to be Chaplain to Bishoo of Horsham (Chichester). Resignations and retirements

The Rev Pam Beckinsale, has resigned as Assistant Curate, St Michael, Sittingbourne (Canterbury), and now has permission to officiate, same diocese Canon Robert Gibbs, Vicar, Budleigh Salterton (Exeter), to resign on June 30. The Rev Melvin Oakes, Vicar, All Saints, Highams Park (Chelms-ford), to retire on July 31. The Rev Hazel Skelding, Curate, Alderbury Team Ministry (Salisbury), retired on March 23. The Rev Peter Spencer, Rector,

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Layer Marney (Cheimsford), to

MAU MAU OATH-TAKING IN KENYA

From Our Correspondent NAIROBI, May 26

The Kenvan police tonight disclosed that the number of persons who took illegal oaths of a Mau Mau nature at a meeting in the forest on the slopes of Mount Kenya a few days ago was nearer 1,000 than the 500 estimated earlier.

Whatever the total may be, it is the largest ceremony of its kind held in the colony.

The curfew imposed on a suspect district in the Meru tribal area to overcome the reluctance of tribesment to give information to the police is now a progreptly schieding its the police is now apparently achieving its object. The provincial commissioner. Mr. R.F.
Wilson, said: "We are beginning to get a lot of
information about this meeting, and we are
hoping that this will continue." So far this month 15 people have been

convicted in the Meru district on cath-taking charges. The area has been described by Mr. A.C.C. Swann, Minister for Defence and Internal Security, as one of the worst two in the colony for the incidence of such offences . . . Kenya had reached a moment of truth: either the country advanced by constitutional means or it must revert to the rule of the

panga. "I am, frankly, nearly in despair that at

ON THIS DAY

May 27, 1961

The militant May May, described as Kenya's "Peasants' Revolt", flourished from 1952 to 1959, when a conference was held which led to Kenyan independence. In 1964 the country became a republic.

regular intervals we have to take this action," he said. "Are we never to be free from a legacy of only a small proportion of the Kikuyu tribe? If we return to violence and intimidation I cannot see a future in this country." While these measures were distasteful, the Govern-

ment had a duty to law-abiding citizens. The condemnation of violence was the main theme in today's resumed debate on the Budget Mr Ronald Ngala himself, making his first major speech as leader of Government

business, called on members to condemn violence inside and outside the House. Observers noted, however, that his

condemnation was limited to present violence. He used such phrases as "the stage whereby rie usen such parrases as "the stage whereby independence could be achieved by violence is past" and "the time for violence has gone for ever". This is in keeping with the tendency to acknowlege that Mau Mau is regarded by most Africans as a "freedom struggle".

Last night Mr. Ngala's deputy. Mr. Masinde Muliro, Minister for Commerce, spoke in similar vein, saying: "At some stage in our evolution towards our independence Africans took up arms against established colonial rule. But at this stage I would urge all Africans in this country — all those who want to see us move to independence — to eliminate

Meanwhile there is criticism here of the Government and its information services, and the allegation is being made in more than one quarter that information on the true security nositions is being withheld. Yet this was one of the points that Mr Hugh Fraser, the Colonial Under-Secretary, went out of his way to deny in his broadcast before leaving Kenya. He described the security situation as "fundamentally sound" and when challenged on this point — which clearly contradicted utterances by the Minister for Internal Security - at a press conference he said he had considered his words and that was his view,

THE TIMES TODAY

Major readies for autumn election

John Major's confrontation with Europe started to backfire on him when a former minister threatened to resign the party whip over the Prime Minister's "silly and cynical" behaviour.

The Government's Commons majority of one would be wiped out if George Walden carried out his threat, and his remarks reinforced the Conservatives' determination to be ready for an autumn general election......

Parents angry over baby milk chemical

■ Doctors and parents rounded on the Ministry of Agriculture for refusing to name brands of baby milk containing potentially dangerous levels of "gender bending" chemicals. Ministry scientists have tested 15 leading brands and found that all contain phthalates, some at levels high enough to reduce fertility in babies exposed to them.....

Royal observer

A seven-year-old boy whose lifesaving heart operation was observed by the Princess of Wales was recovering well at his home in Cameroon, unaware of the identity of his royal visitor Page 1 Birds' bird

A convicted animal rights activist has petitioned the Home Office to

ban prison inmates from keeping caged birds... .. Page I Sieaze plea A former Tory treasurer urged

the party to publish a list of donations over £25,000 in an attempt to lift an atmosphere of sleaze over party funding....

Feud defused

A feud between Labour's leading transport frontbenchers has been defused by Tony Blair offering Brian Wilson, the railways spokesman, a new senior role on the campaign teamPage 2

Fishing tragedy

An exhausted woman swam for nearly four hours without a life jacket to raise the alarm when a clam dredger capsized off the Firth of Clyde. Four crewmen were feared drowned.......Page 3

Climber lost

as £66,000.....

A search is under way for a British member of a South African mountaineering team that scaled Mount Everest after teammates subsequently lost radio contact ..Page 3

Rail go-ahead

Final approval is expected next month for a funicular railway in the Cairngorms. But environmental groups are threatening to appeal to EuropePage 4

Prisons prepare

Prison officials have drawn up emergency plans to house hundreds of extra remand prisoners if the Euro 96 football competition leads to serious dis-....Page 5

Pampered pets

Pets are being given secondhand human pacemakers and undergoing dentistry and hip replacements to keep them alive . Page 5

Israel admission Binyamin Netanyahu, the rightwing challenger for the Likud leadership, brought Israel's election campaign to life when he admitted that he had been wrong

to go on television in 1993 to

admit adultery Page 7 Yeltsin's failure

When President Yeltsin receives Zelimkhan Yandarbiyev, leader of the Chechen rebels, he will tacitly acknowledge that he has failed to crush the separatist rebellion by military means Page 8 Family values

Hillary Clinton's disclosure that she and President Clinton are talking about another child is bound to raise their political op-

Water fight: Two utility companies are set to battle publicly for Southern Water. An initial bid of £1.3 billion from ScottishPower will be more than matched by Southern Electricity

Best of British: The Government will proclaim the UK's superiority over other European states in its White Paper on competitiveness next month. The document will emphasise particularly the success in reducing unemployment compared with France, Germany and ...Page 36

Fair hearing: Barings bondholders seeking compensation for their £100 million loss when the bank collapsed last year will be listened to sympathetically by the Commons Treasury CommitteePage 36 | istry of Sound......

ARIS .

Musical high: Does London really need another production of Salome? When the staging is as accomplished as ENO's, the return visit is worth the effort

Foreign voices: Cecilia Bartoli, the Italian mezzo, and Dmitry Hvorostovsky, the Russian baritone, gave recitals at the Wigmore Hall that suggested they are stars in the making.... ._. Page 10

Battersea reborn: At last, it looks as if Battersea Power Station may be brought to a new and entertaining life, thanks to a £200 million . Page 11

Pop duo: The venues the Cocteau Twins chose for their London shows could not be more different: the Royal Albert Hall and the Min-.....Page II

☐ General: England and Wales will begin overcast and damp, with most of the rain in the east. Drier weather

will then spread in from the north and

west, surny spells eventually developing in most areas. Tem-

peratures will mostly reach normal, despite winds being quite fresh for a

Scotland and Northern Ireland will

EARLRES

The perils of pushiness: Psychologists say that childhood neuroses. including attention deficit, hyperactivity disorder and stress-related stomach aches and headaches, can often be attributed to parents pushing their children too hard Page 13 Trophy wife: Not so long ago, the hot accessory for every successful man was a brainless cutie. Not any longer. Julia Llewellyn Smith on the delights of the power ... Page 13

MAND AND MATTER

Closing in on cancer: Anjana Ahuja meets one of Britain's brightest researchers, Dr Steve Jackson, the biologist who made the link between a good enzyme and a bad protein

IN THE TIMES

PRIZE PICTURES An outstanding private collection of modern art goes on show at the Tate

TOMORROW

GREAT DEBATE John Hayes, Secretary General of the Law Society, breaks his silence

decreasing. Max 12C to 14C (54F to

☐ Channel Isles, SW England, Wales, Isle of Man: Mainly dry with

sunny spells soon developing. Wind northwest moderate or fresh becom-

ing west light. Max 13C to 15C (55F to

☐ Borders, Edinburgh & Dundee, SW, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Cen-tral Highlands, Argyll: Dry, with sunny spells. Wind north becoming

west or southwest light. Max 13C to

Scotland, Orkney, Shetland: Bright or sunny spells and a few showers.

Wind north or northwest light or moderate. Max 10C to 13C (50F55F).

☐ N Ireland: Dry with sunny spells, but clouding over in the evening. Wind north becoming southwest light. Max

☐ Aberdeen, Moray Firth,

15C (55F to 59F).

A rigger at work on "HMS" Rose, an American replica of the British ship, during the Bristol International Festival of the Sea

SPORT & Football: England defeated a Hong Kong Golden Select XI I-0 with a goal by Les Fedinand, but it was hardly the performance they hoped for leading up to Euro 96. Page 19 Cricket: India scored 236 for four against England at Old Trafford, but rain forced the match to be carried over to today Page 21 Golf: Mark McNulty and Costantino Rocca share the lead after three rounds of the Volvo PGA championship...... Page 20 Rugby Union: Jack Rowell has been reappointed England coach for a third year. His terms of reference have changed, but there will be no restriction on which players he may choose

Athletics: Sally Gunnell remained optimistic of retaining her Olympic title after her first 400 metres hurdles race for 20 months ... Page 26 Equestrianism: Pippa Funnell won the Windsor International threeday event for the second successive year after leading from start to finish on Marshland Rubio Page 27 Racing: Willie Carson will not appeal against his five-day ban for wearing an unapproved skull cap

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at the Curragh....

8, 20, 26, 34, 42, 43. Bonus 25, Eight winners will receive £2,054,754 each: 23 people win £137.441 for five numbers plus the bonus: 1,050 win £1,013 for five numbers; and the four-number prize is £58.

Preview: Doctor Who returns to the screen in a feature length adventure involving his arch enemy. the Master (BBC), 8.30pm)

Review: Lynne Truss on Dennis Potter's future world..........Page 35

Who Lost Russia?

Even if President Yeltsin does win it will only be by distancing himself from the reform he once personi-

fied and embracing nationalist causes...

Boycotting Burma

Travellers tempted by the attractions of Burma should bear in mind it was built on brutal re-.... Page 15

Highland Line

Britain is no Switzerland. It has few. mountains and many who want to explore them — a railway is the ... Page 15 best way

WILLIAM REES-MOGG

The V&A exists to preserve the culture which deconstructionism exists to destroy. How can the trustees fail to see that the Libeskind "design concept" is hostile to everything they believe in?...... Page 14 PETER RIDDELL

John Major and Tony Blair both made serious errors last week. Whereas Mr Blair's should be reversible, Mr Major's could be . Page 14

MATTHEW PARRIS Not in a million years would the

English put up with Scottish MPs governing England after losing our stake in the government of Scotland. So surely Blair has something up his sleeve? Page 14

His Honour Bernard Gillis, QC. Additional Judge at the Central Criminal Court; Group Captain James Jeffs, Airport Commandant at London Heathrow...... Page 17

Michael Howard and the judges: Birds in the garden...... Page 15

The wind of regionalism is blowing through old Europe. Rebels want to sweep away centuries of political history. We cannot leave the fate of the modern state to those was hark back to the Holy Roman Empire-La Repubblica, Rome

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Parents pay high price for teenagers

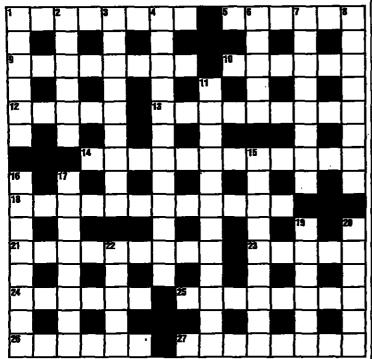
Parents who think that their financial worries are coming to

an end when their children reach their late teens could not be

more wrong, according to new research. Most parents will

have to find at least £24,000 to support their children between

the ages of 16 and 21 and, in some cases, the bill can be as high



- I Continental prince knowing directly king enters (8).
- 5 Diamond, possibly, is card cut jack turned over (6).
- 9 Range of voice required for Liszt recital (8).
- 10 Bottle shown by thousands carrying a sort of gun (6).
- 12 Grass, but get in a terrible flap (5). 13 Its point may be to remove meat
- from canines (9). 14 Political broadcast on large TV absorbing people (12).
- 18 Notice hole in motorway certain to produce accident (12).
- 21 Public show originally produced at Eccles, it turns out (9).
- 23 Set about game or liquid food (5). 24 New students contributing to a

spell of filming (6).

- The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 20,177 will appear next Saturday. The five winners will receive a bottle of Aberlour single highland malt whisky.

- 25 Communicator engaged by King Cole? (8).
- 26 Wise old man given shelter by soldiers (6). 27 Like wanderings involving saints
- in one day trip (8).

DOWN.

- 1 Short article quietly digested by ruthless type out East (6).
- 2 Conclusive information received in bed (6). 3 Party has way to conceal current
- division (9). 4 Look after the castle, say, reportedly to prevent hostilities (4,3,5).
- 6 Part of Southsea was horribly flooded (5). 7 Robbers in bar singing, we hear
- 8 Book boat, say, for Charlie (8). 11 Crazy, to deviate from the direct
- course (5,3,4). 15 Shocking English king, for example, with evidence of debts (9).
- 16 Neglect of old girl upset no-one (8). 17 Like a woman about to put down
- insulating material (8). 19 A loose reference to broadcasting organization (6).

20 Cast almost accepts gold coin (6).

22 Eastern capital an American state invested in also (5).

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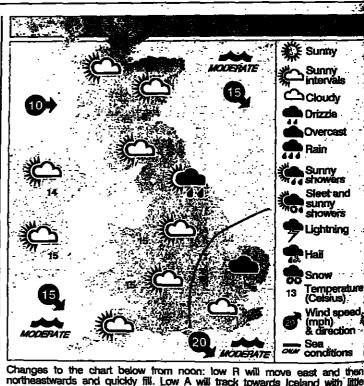
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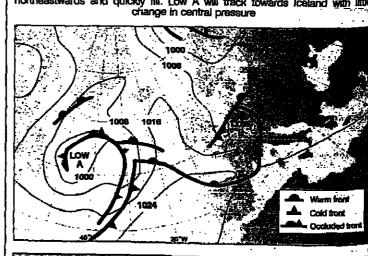
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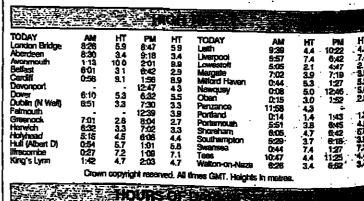
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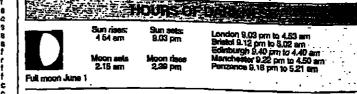
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